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**TODAY'S WEATHER:** Light or moderate South winds; fair.  
1 p.m. Observations: Barometric pressure, 1009.3 mbs. 29.81 in.  
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## Mutiny In Atlantic Ocean

American Ship Calls For Aid

London, July 12.—United States Navy Headquarters here were informed today that the crew of the 7,176-ton American steamship William Carson had mutinied in the Atlantic Ocean, north of the Azores, and the ship had sent an urgent message for immediate aid.

The ship was reported to be out of control.

Rear Admiral Richard Conolly, Commander-in-Chief of United States Naval Forces in Europe and the Mediterranean, ordered senior officers aboard the ship nearest the Carson to investigate.

A Navy spokesman said the Carson's distress signal was sent from a location about 250 miles northeast of the Azores, about 700 miles west of Oporto, Portugal.

"COME AT ONCE"

He said the message was picked up by Radio Valencia and relayed to Lloyds shipping office here. Lloyds informed the United States naval authorities.

According to Radio Valencia, the message said, "Crew mutinous. Hampton Roads standing by. Come at once."

The message referred to the American steamship Hampton Roads, 14,130 tons, of New York City.

The Carson is owned by the South Atlantic Steamship Line of Savannah, Georgia.

Ship was bound from Genoa to Nova Scotia after delivering a cargo of Marshall Plan coal.

**UNDER CHARTER**

(The Carson is operated under charter from the Maritime Commission. In New York, an official of the company said no report of mutiny had been received. He said the Carson carried between 30 and 44 men and was probably in ballast.)

(In Savannah, the operations office of the South Atlantic Company said it had received word that the ship was "in difficulty because of the crew." Word came from Lloyds. The operators said they had radioed the ship direct for details but had not received an answer.—United Press.)

## Guerillas Wreck Malaya's Only Coal Mine

### OPERATION IS SKILFULLY CARRIED OUT

Singapore, July 12.—With machine-guns blazing, 170 guerillas swept into Malaya's only mining town of Batu Arang today and held it for 90 minutes while skilled saboteurs wrecked vital equipment.

The guerillas cut all communications to the town, pinned down the police and Europeans, including passengers in an arriving train, skilfully wrecked the mine and vanished again into the jungle before Gurkhas and police reinforcements could arrive.

They singled out five Chinese, including the general overseer of the mine, for deliberate murder.

A communique issued at the Federal capital of Kuala Lumpur, 25 miles away, said the police believed they killed one of the raiders.

Another group of 30 armed terrorists, 150 miles away, raided the Sengang rubber estate today. The Indian manager escaped through the rubber trees, leaving the attackers in control.

In Singapore, a bill will be introduced into the Legislative Council tomorrow giving the Governor, Sir F. C. Gimson, blanket power to suspend, supersede or suppress any existing law as part of the campaign against the Communists.

The bill extends to two years the time a person can be detained without being charged, it was reported.

Plain clothes detectives raided a rural area outside Singapore today, the fourth large sweep in a week. Twelve Chinese and two Malaysians were detained.

**WELL PLANNED**

Royal Air Force Spitfires roared low over Batu Arang as the guerillas, many of them in the green uniforms of the former Malayan People's Anti-Japanese Army, carried out their attack.

The assault began at 7 a.m. local time with the cutting of road and telephone lines into the town. The raiders then broke into groups. One—37 strong—held up a train entering the town and herded the 53 passengers on board. Into the station master's office for an hour.

Another party attacked the police station, pinning down 16 constables with concentrated fire from behind heaps of stones and rubble. A third surrounded the European quarter, keeping the 22 people there indoors.

With the town thus in their control, another party, including experts who knew what they were doing, smashed the most vulnerable machinery at the mine itself.

They fired shots in water pumps and compressors of eight trailers and seriously damaged three main excavators. They forced the driver of one excavator to run over the edge into an open cut.

**VAIN REQUEST**

The manager of the mine was reported to have asked for military protection a fortnight ago, but all troops were tied up elsewhere.

Mr. J. W. Elliot, the General Manager of the Batu Arang colliery, said tonight that the terrorists' sabotage will not affect the production immediately but may do so in a month or two if the damage is irreparable.

The sabotage was carried out by men who "obviously knew the layout," he said, for two cases of major damage occurred two miles apart.

A "mystery" girl in the attack was a 17-year-old Chinese who walked calmly through the passengers on the railway platform to take a train's first aid box, apparently for the guerillas.

In the attack on the Sengang Estate, near Ipoh, the terrorists, comprising 30 heavily armed Chinese, drove off the estate's manager and two special constables, firing 300 shots at them as they crossed a river while escaping.

Troops later reoccupied the estate, but the factory buildings were reported to have been razed to the ground.

It was announced in Singapore today that the Volunteer Corps will be reformed.—Reuter.

## MORE BRITISH TROOPS FOR GERMANY HINTED

London, July 12.—General Sir Brian Robertson, the British Military Governor in Germany, is understood to have raised the question of reinforcing British troops in Germany during the period of the Berlin crisis when he conferred here today with the Chiefs of Staff.

In particular, General Robertson is understood to have raised the question of increasing the air lift of emergency supplies to Berlin.

A War Office spokesman, however, categorically denied press reports that Britain had already decided to reinforce the British Zone of Germany or Berlin. Political quarters here consider that the despatch of additional troops would not be undertaken without Cabinet approval.

Answering a question in the House of Commons, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, refused to give any undertaking that Britain would make no further military commitments until Parliament has had a chance to discuss any such proposals.

Mr. Mayhew said this was not required by any established constitutional practice and he could not bind the Foreign Secretary Mr. Ernest Bevin, to any such undertaking.

General Robertson, who is on a two-day visit to London, gave the Foreign and Defence Ministries first hand accounts of the Berlin blockade, as the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Bevin, reported to the Cabinet.

General Robertson, who returns to besieged Berlin tomorrow, to resume on the spot command, will talk over the situation with Mr. Bevin again tonight.—Reuter.

## Goat Struts On Two Legs



Two-legged billy goat owned by farmer Henry Dorroh at Kuttawa, Ky., struts around the barnyard on his front legs, his head down and his body up in the air. The goat's hind legs were frozen shortly after he was born, then a cow stepped on his legs, severing both near the knees. About four weeks later the goat was performing like a gymnast.—AP Picture.

## Jews Striking Out For Big Water Supply Base

Tel-Aviv July 12.—Jewish troops, capitalising on the capture of Lydda and Ramle, swiftly developed their offensive and seized Majdal Yaba, only three miles from the great water supply base of Ras el Ain.

It was believed that the capture of Ras el Ain itself would follow within a few days and that thereby Jerusalem's long-interrupted water supply would be restored.

Jewish forces, well-equipped with armour and supported by planes, are attacking along a front of nearly 15 miles from Ramle to Majdal.

A Haifa dispatch reported that 2,000 Arab troops were trapped at Tira, five miles south of Haifa on the Haifa-Tel-Aviv coastal highway. Arab women and children were fleeing the town.

**CAIRO COMMUNIQUE**

In Cairo, it was announced that Egyptian troops had occupied two villages two miles southwest of Jerusalem. They were said to have blown up a number of Jewish positions, causing heavy casualties.

Egyptian planes bombed Yahudiya and Wilhelmina, which Jewish troops had captured in the Lydda-Ramle offensive, the communique said.

Egyptian heavy bomber planes made a night attack on Tel-Aviv, according to the communique, hitting steel mills, the Ford motor car company and water tanks.

It was also asserted that fires were caused.—United Press.

**BERNADOTTE IN NY**

Lake Success, July 12.—The United States delegation has asked the United Nations Security Council to meet as soon as possible following the arrival in New York of the Palestine mediator, Count Bernadotte.

## BEA Cancels Air Services To France

**Security Workers Go On Strike**

Paris, July 12.—The British European Airways were reported tonight to have cancelled all services into strike-bound France tomorrow because of a stoppage by air security workers.

A company official made the announcement as the air security services, in which the Communist-controlled General Confederation of Labour claims about 1,200 members out of 1,500 were stopping work for an unlimited period from 9 a.m. local time tonight.

All planes in the air tonight will be taken care of by the security services.

The BEA manager in France, Colonel F. G. Carr, said: "The strike is expected to begin at 9 p.m. (local time) tonight. It affects the men who look after the security of planes in flight. As a result, we have cancelled all incoming services to France during tomorrow."

"Tomorrow afternoon we are meeting the French Ministry of Air and we hope that arrangements will be made for the military to take over the security work and allow a restricted emergency service to begin on Wednesday."

**LAST PLANE LEAVES**

Colonel Carr said BEA was cancelling the last plane out from London tonight, but the last plane out from Paris would leave.

The Istanbul service from London, which leaves there at midnight, has been cancelled as the plane normally lands at Marseilles on the last stage of its flight.

The Madrid service from London tomorrow will not be cancelled.

Air France services from London are also affected. An official of Transworld Airways at Orly Airport said the strike would not affect their flights as an emergency relief security service would be in operation.

British Overseas Airways long-distance flying boats, flying via Marseilles, are being re-routed and plans are being made to re-route the London-Cairo service.—Reuter.

## LEANING TOWER FALLING DOWN

Pisa, July 12.—The famous leaning Tower of Pisa will collapse in the next four centuries, engineers and architects Association of Pisa said today.

The 13th century tower already leans over 16 feet to one side and it leans a little more each year.

The Bureau of Monuments maintains however, that the concrete injections at the base of the tower will hold it at the present incline for all eternity or at least for another 1,000 years.—United Press.

## Falls To His Death

Athens, July 12.—Major Clifford Coombes, 40, of the Royal Scots Fusiliers, today fell to his death from the third floor of a hotel in Athens.

The British authorities were said to discount suicide since the Major's motive was of the best and he held a party last night. An investigation will be made by the British military court.—United Press.

## EDITORIAL

### We're Doing Our Part

EITHER the China Economist cannot, or for reasons best known to itself, will not be convinced that Hongkong is playing its full part in the prevention of smuggling between the Colony and China. Instead the paper continues to advance airy, unsubstantiated insinuations about Hongkong's failure to implement the Anti-Smuggling Agreement. We challenge the China Economist to support these charges with facts. In the same way that Mr. Himmworth backs his case with facts. These facts prove beyond doubt or further argument that Hongkong is fully implementing the anti-smuggling agreement. By that we mean it is operative in this Colony so far as the Government's commitments under the pact are concerned. It is true the agreement has not yet become legislation, but the China Economist, who claims to be so fully informed on the subject, probably knows why: it is not due to any obstruction on the part of Hongkong. The China Economist persists in harping on the economic indivisibility of Hongkong and China, warning us that unless we sacrifice everything for the financial and industrial regeneration of the hinterland, we shall find ourselves eventually in a sinking ship. This is an example of distorted thinking and argument. Normally, by which we mean when the condition of China is normal, the economy of the two places is closely related. That cannot be claimed at the present moment because of fundamental differences. Hongkong has a stable currency, no labour unrest,

smoothly-running and efficient public services, adequately rationed essential food supplies and a well-organised administrative machine. China, and especially a city such as Shanghai, has none of these assets; therefore, as things stand, China and Hongkong cannot be integrally bound by a common economic factor. Nor is it true, despite the China Economist's inference, that Hongkong's favourable economic and financial position is due to smuggling. It is the reward of clear-sighted administration in which free enterprise and official control have been judiciously mixed; due also to the spirit of endeavour and self-help latent throughout the community since the reconquest. Smuggling there has been; smuggling there still is; but neither in the past, and certainly not at the present in such a volume as to bring about the Colony's prosperity at the expense of her neighbour. The position must be stated bluntly: any leakage today of banned commodities from China is because the Chinese authorities are either not capable or are unwilling to prevent the smuggling; and illegal traffic of commodities into China is again due to the Chinese authorities being unable to make use of the opportunities afforded them to catch the smugglers under the anti-smuggling pact. It behoves the Chinese Government to take more active steps toward implementing the anti-smuggling agreement concluded between the Crown Colony and China if it desires to see the pact operating effectively.

## SOVIET PROPOSITION

Berlin, July 12.—Traffic lines between Berlin and the Western Zones would be reopened only when the Western powers "find their way back to Potsdam" and agreed to a round-table conference on Germany as a whole, the Soviet licensed newspaper, Vorwärts, said today.

Dr. Ferdinand Friedensburg, the Deputy Mayor of Berlin, disclosed today that the city's administration had asked the Indian Government to forward an appeal for help to the United Nations, but this had proved impossible "for reasons outside our competence".

The only solution now was for all four occupying powers to evacuate the city, he said. "I want to make my opinion quite clear," he told a press conference in Berlin. "What Berlin is now going through is final proof that the policies of the occupying powers have led to an absurd situation."

Dr. Friedensburg declared that the air lift which was feeding the western sectors of the city was not a solution to the Berlin problem, although every Berliner was grateful to the Western powers for their attempt to alleviate suffering in the capital.

"It must make it clear that the air lift only prolongs the breathing space in which a solution must be found."

More than 200 British planes brought food and essential supplies into the beleaguered city of Berlin in the 24 hours up to noon today, despite the bad weather conditions.—Reuter.

## Pedicab Driver Dies After Being Hit

Shanghai, July 13.—Harold William Allen, 28, of Dayton, Ohio, pleaded innocent in the District Court to a charge of assault resulting in the death of a pedicab driver on May 29.

Allen told the court he did not strike the Chinese coolie intentionally. He said he was just trying to ward him off, but the coolie stubbornly followed him.

The prosecution told the court the incident was the result of a misunderstanding between Allen and Sun Chu-hsien, the pedicab coolie. The coolie failed to take Allen to his destination and a quarrel followed over payment of the fare.

The court said that judgment will be announced next Monday.

Court attaches said relatives of the coolie and Allen had reached an out-of-court settlement of the civil suit wherein Allen has agreed to pay CN\$400,000,000 for funeral expenses. In addition, Allen agreed to pay CN\$2,253, multiplied by the workers' cost of living index. The index last month was 710,000.

Relatives of the coolie asked the court to impose a permanent injunction upon Allen if the latter is convicted.—Associated Press.

## No Savvy' Leads To Fatal Shooting

Shanghai, July 13.—A railway policeman shot and killed a Cantonese private, the police said, following a misunderstanding through failure of the two Chinese to understand each other's dialects.

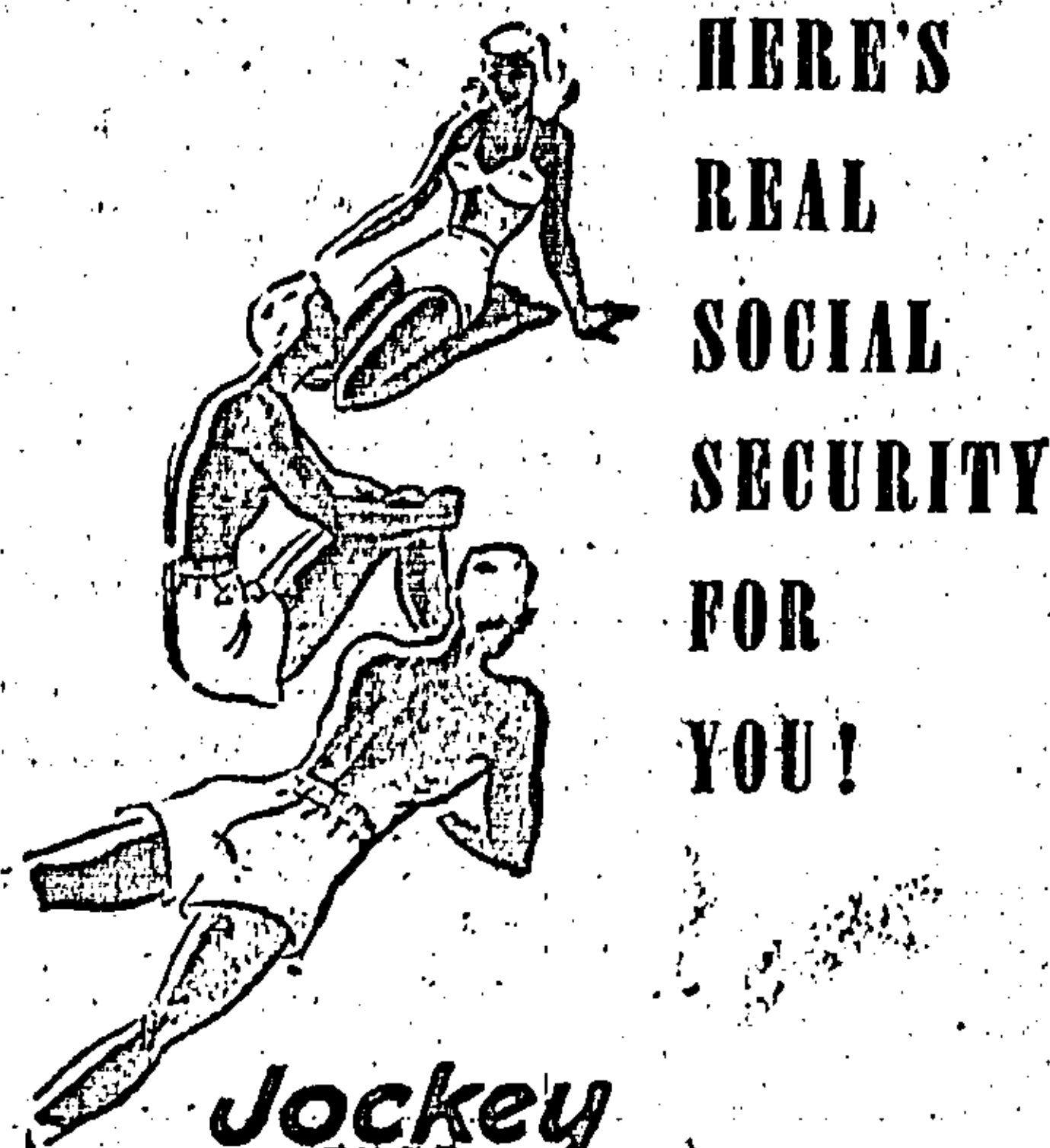
The police said the policeman, thought the Cantonese, Lee Tse-hwan, was trying to board a train to escape conscription into the army. Actually, Lee and two companions were lost in Shanghai and were trying to find their way back to their ship. Lee's companions said they met no one who could understand Cantonese dialect when the policeman arrived and tried to arrest them. They said Lee pulled out a hand-grenade and the policeman shot him.—Associated Press.

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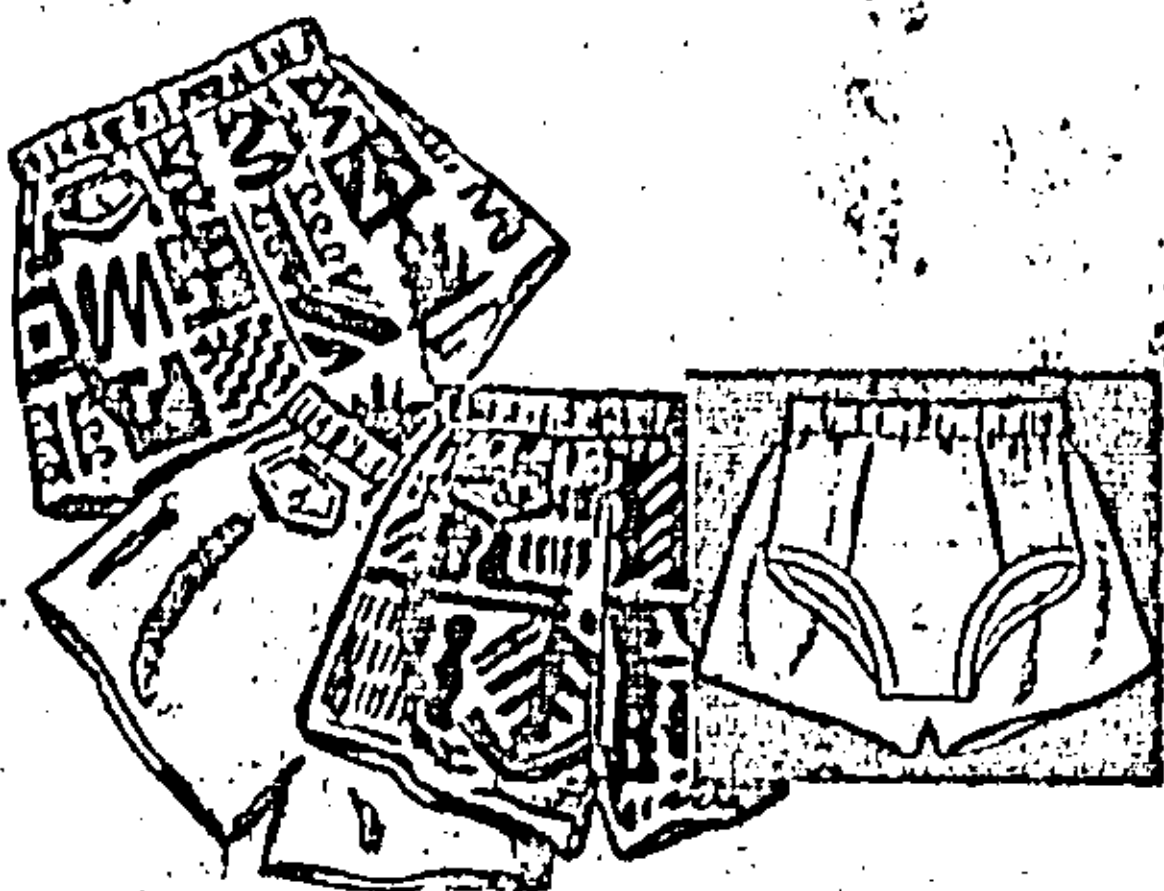




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HATS designed for Britain's everywoman were displayed by the Millinery Information Centre at the Waldorf Hotel, London, where



spring and summer styles suitable for all purposes were on show. Prices ranged from fifteen shillings to four pounds.

Trimmed with large bows of Peterhead ribbon of the Royal Anniversary colours, Blue, White and Red, this navy-blue wool felt boater is tied in place with a white veil.



Another version of the "new look" (for hats) black spotted white organdie pancake model, draped with organdie, from the Dolores range for summer.



Styled from Grindmann's bonnet is this dainty confection of flowers nestling in natural coloured straw, which is tied under the chin with mauve veiling. This straw also was displayed by the Millinery Information Centre.

## London To Be World Fashion Centre

LONDON, between July 19 and 30, is to be the fashion centre of the world.

Buyers from 30 countries, during a "London Fashion Fortnight" sponsored by the Board of Trade, will be in London to view and place orders for the products of Britain's leading model houses, designers and wholesalers.

More than 230 firms will exhibit their designs at shows in hotels or showrooms in the West End.

A number of organisations, such as the Mantle-Costume Manufacturers Export Group, will give

composite displays by their members.

Fashion fabric displays will be put on throughout the fortnight at the showrooms of 80 houses offering woollen, cotton, silk, rayon and nylon piece goods.

On one occasion visitors will be able to combine business with breakfast.

That will be on Friday, July 23, when, between 9 a.m. and 10.30 a.m., Lady Reading will give a breakfast reception at her house in Smith-square, Westminster.

On display at this reception will be examples of hand-made fashion products of Women's Home Industries.

Symbol for the Fashion Fortnight, which is the first to be held, is a design incorporating the statue of Eros against the background of the Regent-street quadrant.

## Treatment for Trench Mouth

By Herman N. Bundesen, M.D.

EVERY part of the body seems to have its special enemies in the germ world and the gums are no exception. Indeed, the entire membrane lining of the mouth seems especially susceptible to the microbes which cause trench mouth or Vincent's angina.

Thus, this infection is contagious and may be spread from one person to another through droplets which are thrown into the air during talking or coughing, or by contaminated eating utensils, and in sanitary drinking fountains. Epidemics of Vincent's infection are not unusual.

As a rule, mild cases of this disorder can be cleared up easily. In fact, there are many forms of treatment which have been used for it. However, when the disease becomes severe and prolonged, thoroughgoing measures are necessary.

The condition produces soreness of the mouth and gums. There may be bleeding of the gums or a bad odour to the breath. The gums are excessively tender. Ulcers or sores may form on the gums or lining membrane of the mouth.

### Treatment

During the early stages of mild cases simply brushing the teeth and gums, night and morning, with warm water, to which a little salt has been added, followed by rinsing for five minutes with equal amounts of hydrogen peroxide and water, will produce a cure. It is also suggested that tablets of potassium chlorate be allowed to dissolve slowly in the mouth, under the tongue, three times a day.

In more advanced cases, this local treatment alone is not sufficient. It is suggested that penicillin be employed in the more severe cases, and the sulfonamide drugs for the less severe.

In any event, the first step in the treatment is for the dentist to remove deposits from the teeth, using all possible care and gentleness.

There are some who have suggested that penicillin be injected into the upper and lower jaws. However, equally good results seem to be obtained by giving the injections deep into a muscle.

Lozenges containing penicillin may also be used. These are held in the mouth and allowed to dissolve.

If the sulfonamide preparations are used, an ointment containing them may be made up. This ointment is packed into the pockets between the gums and teeth. The sulfonamide preparations may also be given by mouth.

In any event, when Vincent's infection develops, the dentist should be consulted immediately concerning the treatment of the condition. With the modern methods of eliminating this disorder, the condition can be brought under control within several days in practically all instances.

## Just Right For Daytime



By VERA WINSTON

THERE ARE some dresses that seem exactly right for any day and for any but formal occasions. Such a frock is this wearable model of navy silk crepe with a design of dainty pink bouquets. The bolero is a simulated effect and serves to minimize the waistline. The shoulders are gently flanged and the sleeves are flatter to the sometimes far-from-perfect upper arm. The skirt is gently flared.

### 9-Year-Old Sports Hair Three Feet Long

Columbus, O.—All hair and a yard long. That's Jo Stonerock, nine-year-old, whose brown tresses measure three feet when unbraided. "A man offered me \$50 to have it for making wigs," Jo said. "But daddy said no." Mr and Mrs George Stonerock, Jo's parents, said her hair never has been cut.

## RED RYDER



Tough Allies



By Fred Harman



## Cultivate Graceful Carriage



Graceful carriage is a beauty asset that every girl can cultivate, says Screen Star Evelyn Keyes.

By HELEN FOLLETT

EVERY young girl who would cultivate an attractive figure should walk "like a lady." Lady is an old-fashioned word. You don't hear it very often. But it has a definite meaning besides that of social grace.

There is a mode of locomotion that is definitely an expression of culture. It has splendour. It is the movement of one who has spirit and self respect. The step is light, figure erect, head balanced. Follow these rules and that little bargain frock you picked up will look like a million dollars. So we repeat that old bromide; it isn't what you wear so much as how you wear it.

Inflate your chest and deflate your tummy. Your spinal column will then give proper support, a job for which it was designed and intended. Let the body go limp and soft and movements will be awkward. The body should appear strong and vibrant.

It is necessary to place the feet properly when walking. The weight should come directly over the ankle bone. That means you must not come down directly on your toes or your heels. A good thought to keep in mind; don't let anyone approaching you see the soles of your shoes.

No woman should walk with a tilted look as if the slightest shove would send her headlong. One is likely to do that when trotting along on heels that are extra high. We would like to put in our ten cents worth right here about the evil effects of high heels, but we know it won't do a bit of good. The sisters will go right on clumping along, losing body balance, straining the muscles of the legs and thighs.

It is interesting to note that shoe manufacturers say that they deplore high heels. But they have to give the women what the women want.

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### Squire Squirrel Was Tired

—He'd Been Putting Birds Back in Their Nests—

By MAX TRELL

"MY goodness! How tired I am!" Squire Squirrel was saying to Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children, with the turned-around names. "Ever since early this morning, I've been picking things up, putting them back in the trees, and then waiting for them to fall down again."

Squire Squirrel sighed with weariness as he sat facing the two shadow-children. "For their part, Knarf and Hanid looked at Squire Squirrel with puzzled expressions. "Picking what up?" began Knarf. "And putting what back?" asked Hanid.

"Squire Squirrel smiled. "Not apples, or pears, or peaches, or cherries. Not acorns, or chestnuts or walnuts or hickory nuts, either!" he said. "When those things fall, no one bothers to put them back. You carry them away and eat them—or bury them a month or two later when you're really hungry."

"Then what were they? What did you pick up and put back in the tree and then wait till they fell down again?" Knarf and Hanid both demanded.

### Things With Feathers

"Things with feathers," answered Squire Squirrel. "Little things that still don't know how to fly."

"Baby birds," exclaimed Hanid. "Exactly!" said Squire Squirrel. "Just then—for they were all sitting together under an oak tree—they heard a loud chirping in the air and the next instant, a round fluffy ball of feathers with a beak and two frightened eyes came tumbling down. It landed on a bed of moss a foot or so away and set up a great twittering."

"You see what I mean? There's another one!" cried Squire Squirrel. "It's a young robin. I put her back in her nest a dozen times."

The young robin now began jumping about like a fat grasshopper, beating her wings in the air and trying to lift herself back into the tree. But she came falling right back again. Knarf and Hanid had



Every time a baby bird fell out of the nest, Squire Squirrel rushed over and helped it back in again.

Just started running toward her, for they thought they could be of some help, when all at once two full-grown robins came darting at them, screaming. "Don't touch her! Go away! Let her alone! She's no business of yours!"

Meanwhile the young robin had managed to hop off and hide herself somewhere in a rose bush. Then the two old birds flew off.

### Two Older Robins

Knarf and Hanid heard Squire Squirrel chuckling behind them. "It's no use your trying to help," he said. "Those two older robins are the mama and papa. They've never learned to really trust people. I suppose," he said, sighing again, "I'll have to take her up to the tree myself just as I've been doing all day long. And as soon as I get her up again, her brother will fall out—and then her other sister—and then her other brother—and then it will be time for her again...."

So Squire Squirrel, looking very tired, crawled into the rose bush, got the little robin. And the last that Knarf and Hanid saw of him, he was climbing up the tree to put her back where she should have stayed until she learned how to fly.

## What Do You Know About Gold?

(Continued from Yesterday)

THIS vein was traced along the mountains into the Carolinas and across Georgia into Alabama.

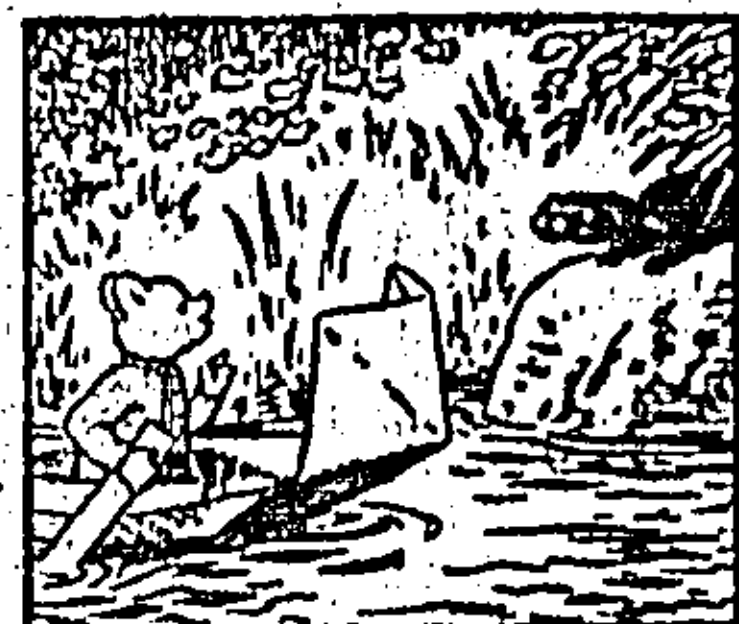
The richest "diggings" were found in Georgia on Cherokee Indian lands. The first American gold rush developed there and trained miners to recognize gold-bearing ores and quarries in far away regions in later years. The first large quantities of gold mined in the United States came from the Georgia fields. A branch mint was established there at Dahlonega in 1838.

Isaac Humphrey, an old Georgian digger who drifted to California, was the first experienced miner to prove the Sutter's Creek area in California rich in gold. His excited reports, more than those of any other man, started the great California gold rush of '49.

Another Georgia prospector, William Green Russell, made discoveries along the base of the Rocky Mountains that started the great Pike's Peak gold rush 10 years later, in 1859.

Strangely enough, when the last great westward surge of the Pike's Peak gold rush had subsided, Americans had conquered the last frontiers. The settlement of the United States, begun so long before by the gentlemen at Jamestown, ended as it began in a search for gold.

### Rupert's Island Adventure—36



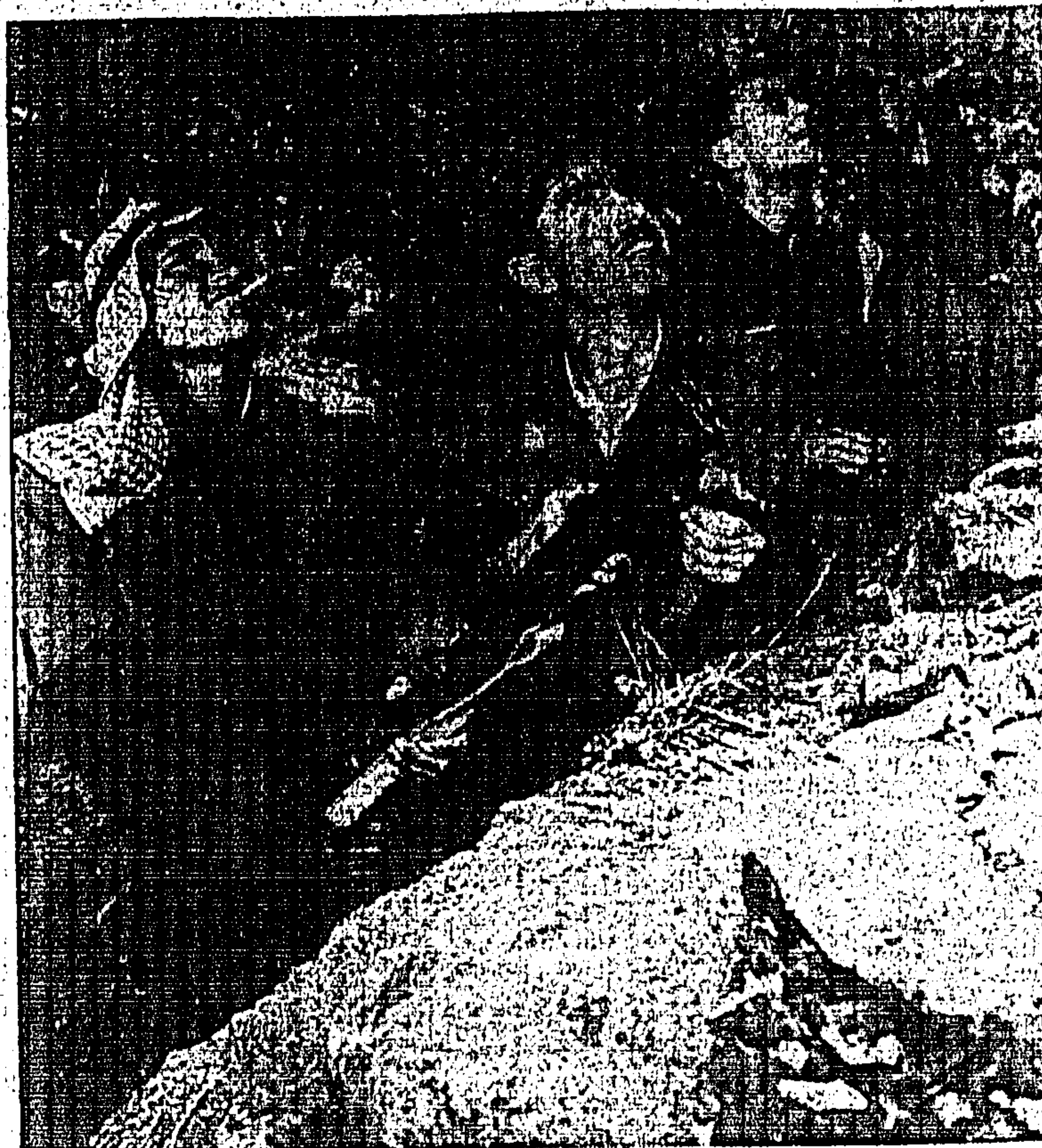
Rupert does not recognize the banks of the river and begins to wonder if he is going the right way. All at once there is a rustle on the shore and Oswald, the otter, appears. "Hello, Rupert," barks Oswald. "How did you get here? Don't you know from is strictly private? What an odd-looking boat! What's it made of?" That's a secret," says Rupert. "Do tell me, please, am I heading for Nutwood?" "Why, yes, straight ahead," says Oswald. "You can't miss it."



# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



**MONUMENT IN STONE**—Symbolising Beethoven and two of the muses, this monument was begun by George Kolbe, famous German sculptor, 20 years ago. When he died last year, the work was still incomplete, so now workers are finishing it before its unveiling in Frankfurt.



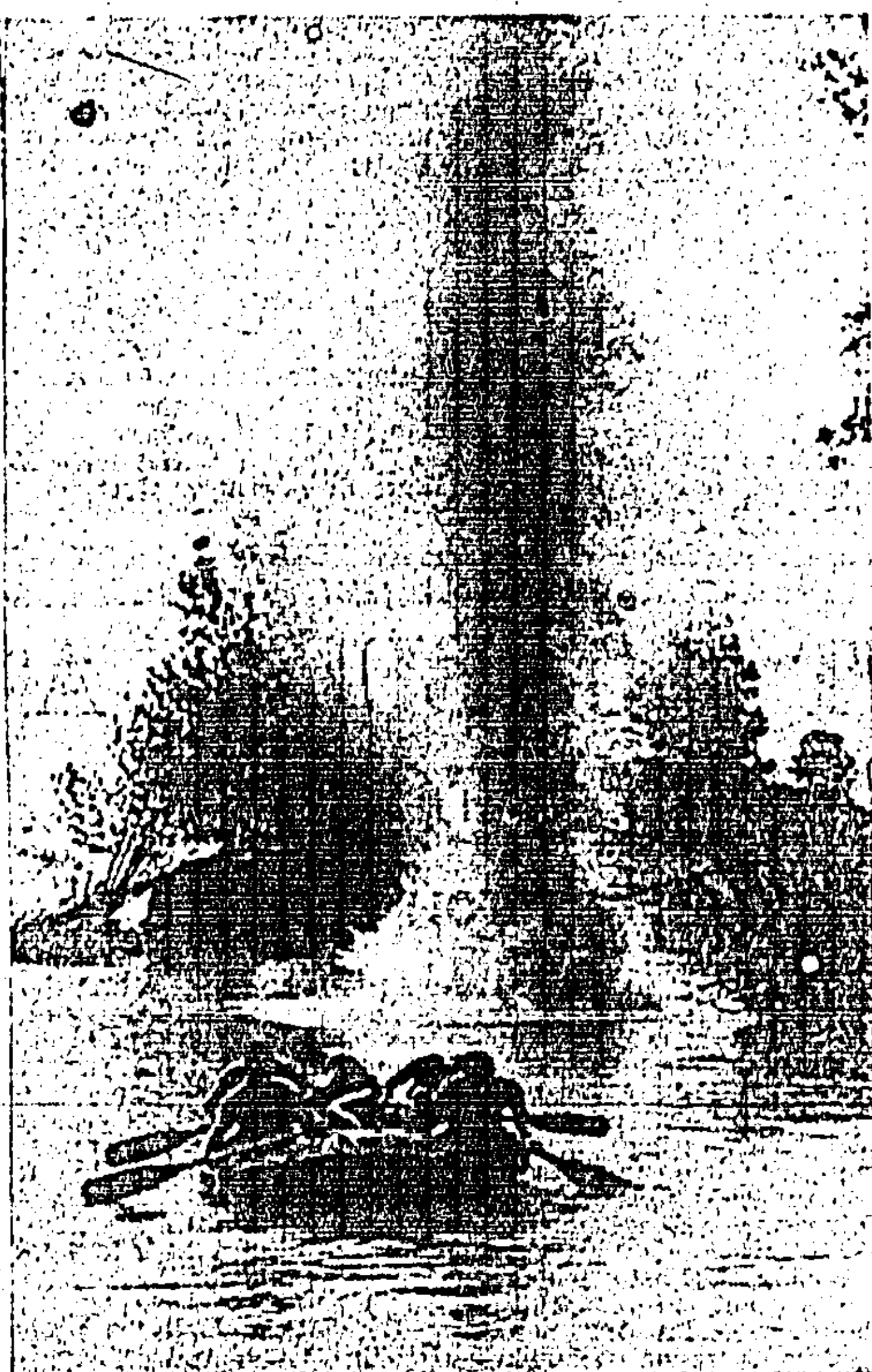
**REPEAT?**—Scenes like this are being repeated in the Holy Land now that the truce is over. These are soldiers of the Israel Army alerted by the appearance of an Arab plane. The soldier at extreme left is described as an Arab who joined the Jewish forces.



**THE WINNER!**—Connie Rone, 18, was chosen as Miss New York City from 16 finalists. A former student at the University of Miami, Connie will represent New York at the 1948 Miss America Pageant to be held in Atlantic City.



**TWO TROTTERS**—Lady Anne Howard, nine-year-old daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Norfolk, trots her pony for the judges at a London horse show. Later, she mounted Silver and let him do the trotting.



**LOOK OUT BEHIND YOU!**—Demonstrating tactics and materiel for U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force personnel, this demolition squad makes a quick getaway after setting off a charge in Lake St Clair, Michigan.



**MADE-TO-ORDER**—Gary Lang, of Manchester, Connecticut, now seven years old, was born without ears, but now wears a pair that medical science created from his own bone and cartilage. A hearing aid is still necessary, but soon Gary will look normal. With him are his mother and pastor.



**TIL THE COWS SWIM HOME**—An amphibious dairy herd (arrow) is led to higher ground in the flood-stricken Laidlaw area, southwest of Hope, British Columbia. Residents were just beginning to recover from the first flood onslaught when a secondary surge of the Fraser River occurred, spilling even more muddy flood waters into the drenched riverside communities.



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**RED CHINESE PRISONERS**—Men and women of the Communist guerrilla forces, captured by the Chinese Fifth Army, rest in a prison compound while they have their picture taken. The girl in the foreground turned her back, but the others watched the birds. They were captured in Honan.

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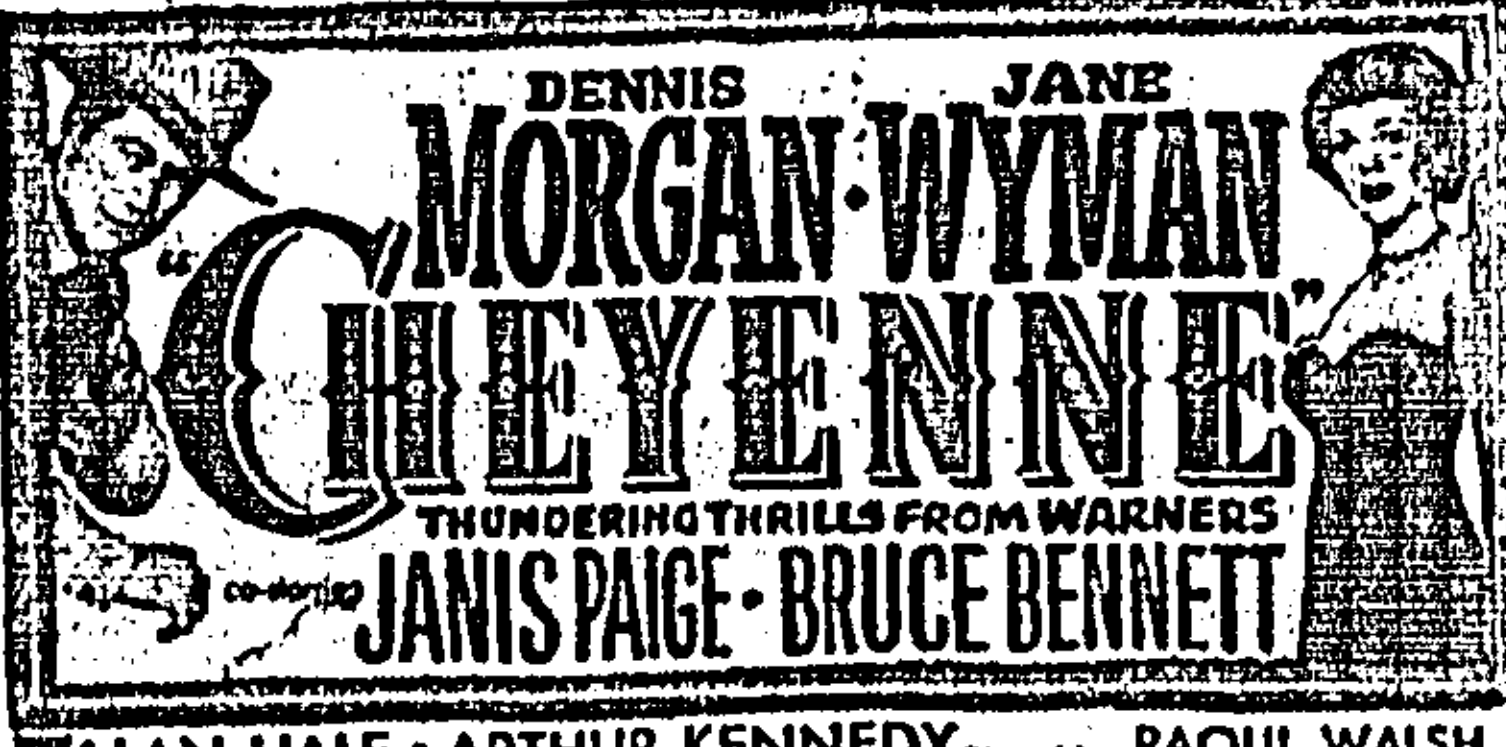
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# JINJA!

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**WILLIAM BARKLEY**

JINJA! What a blessed name. It beats Mesopotamia. With a name like Jinja in your notebook you close your eyes and your bit of typewriting does itself.

I am so full of it that I can hardly believe it was only at quarter to one a.m. that it swam into my ken. In the Press Gallery of the House of Commons as if in a dream I distinctly heard a voice saying, "At a place called Jinja..." Instantly wide awake, I found it was real and the voice Mr Rees-Williams's, Under-Secretary for the Colonies.

I have since heard so much of this place that I predict you will hear more of it.

Jinja is in British Uganda, on the Nile near its exit from Lake Victoria. This is the third largest lake in the world if you count the Caspian—which always seems like cheating. Otherwise, Lake Superior is alone superior in size to Victoria, which is 27,000 square miles and the size of Scotland.

Now hold your breath. One Colonial Office project is to raise the level of Victoria by three feet. It would be done by a dam near Jinja, the biggest dam ever uttered. The White Nile would be diverted to use Lake Albert as a reservoir.

Inconceivable water power would result, and an all-the-year-round water supply guaranteed to the Sudan and Egypt. The ground-nuts scheme is mere peanuts to this.

However, the agreement of the Egyptian politicians is required before we tamper with the Nile. Should that not be forthcoming we go ahead with an alternative scheme which is sufficiently colossal. I am told it is already blue-printed in every detail.

This is to dam the Owen Falls at Jinja and build a power station which may yield electricity at one-tenth of a penny unit. Here, too, we should build copper-smelting works to tackle the copper ore in the Mountains of the Moon.

There is a river which can be canalised to provide cheap transport for the copper ore.

### MORE PLANS

THE scheme, too, will drain immense swamps on the borders of Uganda and the Sudan so that not only dairy farms can be established, but elephant grass grown to be made into paper at mills in Jinja.

Rees-Williams recently visited the main centres of these projects with his fellow-Socialist MP, his private parliamentary secretary Mr Proctor, another Welshman although he sits for Eccles.

A pair of enthusiasts. It is a sight to see Proctor cupping the great hands with which he used, as a guard, to keep the G.W.R. trains moving before he became an MP and nationalised them.

He holds the Mountains of the Moon and the Owen Falls and Lake Victoria all in the hollow of his hands as he studies his palms and says: "You would think the gods had made it on purpose."

### OUR DUTY

WE hear much these days of Western Europe. East and Central Africa within the Colonial Empire are greater than Western Europe. And their population? A mere 15,000,000.

We cannot let them go unoccupied and undeveloped any longer," says Rees-Williams. "It is our duty."

The curse is the tsetse fly, which, as he says, "ruins" three-quarters of this area. But scientists are putting new weapons in our hands to unseat this insect devil from his throne.

And when are you going to do all this? said I. Have you got a target? No, the Welshman replied. Their idea is to secure maximum priority for the steel and cement and technicians which the project requires.

I was secretly relieved to hear it. For you will have noticed that the target is the only safe place on the planning range. It never gets hit.

But twice well to do it quickly. How admirably better to labour and sacrifice with hope in our hearts on a great project of cultivating our Empire garden rather than read whether or not we are to get more aid from America.

### HEROICS

ANOTHER Socialist speaks very directly on these themes. He is Mr Ernest Kinghorn (Great Yarmouth). He frankly says it would pay us to go slower in our housing and railway programmes at home in order first to develop our African territories. It is a courageous argument.

Being much of a Tory myself I advertise with glee these Socialist heroics in Empire building. The movement should encourage the Tory MPs to recover their lost Empire soul.

Give the Tories Jinja, Mr Rees-Williams. Give 'em it hot and strong! They'll like it, you know. They believe in competition, don't they?

And in developing Africa we think not only of the benefits to Britain. We remember that this is the country of that great Christian explorer Livingstone, who prayed for Heaven's blessing on anyone who helped to heal the open sore of the world.

I think he meant slavery. For us the infection means to free the Africans, as we can, of disease, poverty, malnutrition, and ignorance.

As the last Viceroy leaves India, Africa calls.

JAMES

## Cameron's Column

RESUMING... after the mission to Africa

LONDON

ANY moment now, you may be sure, some loud and dramatic voice is going to call upon us to stand firm for freedom, or something: to rally in defence of the integrity of Europe.

We in the audience, nodding restlessly, will decide, reasonably, that this is where we came in—For a day or two we shall be back in 1938, jumping at shadows. Then the top-form bullies will withdraw to their respective sides, snarling, and we shall settle down to our good old familiar condition of indefinite anxiety.

That is what you get for living in Europe. It is not much of a pot for size, but it steams easily. The unhappy people in the world live in Europe: likewise the happiest. They have one thing hopelessly in common: the aptitude for insult.

So Sokolovsky hates Robertson, and Bevin hates Stalin, and Mrs. Blank hates the clipper of the Peterborough bus who gave her 4½d change in coppers.



EUROPE being what it is, you could well imagine that nobody but a lunatic would return to it gladly. I do, constantly, if only because I weary of having my race in quotation marks.

In the last few weeks I have been in a community where it is necessary to sit on "European" benches, use "European" buses and hotels and staircases, go into post offices by the "European" entrance and generally move around in a European way in common with multitudes of people who were never nearer Europe than the south bank of the Zambesi.

However, they are white, which is more than one can say of all one's chums at home. But "European"? You are only a European within cursing-range of Berlin.

This is the heyday for the authority on ill-feeling. Read your newspaper—the authorities insist 11 dockers, so 19,000 other dockers insist authority. Try to get a room in the Hotel. Ask a cabby to take you to Croydon. Take a look, above all, at Parliament. Public affairs are conducted on lines of marking, nattering, and the dirty crack. Politicians are people, and people are awful.

I can take a lot of blinding from a bus conductor, because I don't matter and neither does he. But when I see Europe's international destinies being handled by big-timers with the mental attitudes of pompous country cops, then I wonder what makes me glad to be home.

There is a news-item going round South Africa now of a band of baboons who, after raiding a backyard farm, fled chattering with their loot to the side of a ravine. There they paused to wrangle over their booty, hurling insults around as only baboons can, failing to notice the vengeance behind them. When the farmer arrived, the baboons scattered madly, forgetting the ravine, plunged over the edge and were dashed to pieces.

Don't tell me baboons aren't human. In their country they alone behave like true Europeans.

P.S. The climax to this news-story, however, was that one baboon had seized as his share of the spoils the farmer's umbrella. As his pals fell to destruction, he found it open and parachuted, in some astonishment, to safety. As an allegory I would have more of that, only somehow, in times of international strain, one hesitates to talk of umbrellas.

## THE FIGHT TO BUILD A HEALTHIER PEOPLE

By DR GEORGE GRETTON

HEALTH is the keynote of much of Britain's present social experiment. Without a healthy population there can be little hope of positive achievement in industry, economics or production. Behind the cold figures of the latest vital statistics for England and Wales—survey of birth and death rates—is an encouraging picture of success in one of the most important of health campaigns, the fight against mortality among mothers and babies in childbirth. Fewer mothers are dying in having children, there are fewer stillbirths, the number of deaths among children under one year of age is steadily declining.

The figures for 1947 reached new low records. There is nothing accidental or exceptional about these low death rates for over the past decade there has been a gradual reduction in the statistics, stillbirths dropping by 3,000 since 1937, and infant mortality for the last quarter of 1947 being 10 per 1,000 births below the average rate for the fourth quarter of the 10 years 1937 to 1946. This should be added the fact that the birth rate for last year was the highest for 20 years, due in part perhaps to the number of marriages which took place immediately after the war.

### EMPHASIS ON PREVENTION

THE reason for this satisfactory result is to be found in the emphasis put on preventive as opposed to curative medicine, in not waiting for disease to attack but in fortifying mothers and children so that they are immune against it.

It is, incidentally, 101 years ago that the first steps were taken in the scientific prevention of septicæmia amid scenes of indescribable horror in the Vienna city maternity wards by the young Hungarian doc-

tor, Ignaz Semmelweis. He died a victim to his own zeal for experimentation before modern antiseptics were discovered in the latter half of the century by the great Lord Lister. Semmelweis's pioneer work has been memorialised in the fact that what was regarded in their time as unpleasantly revolutionary is today treated as part of normal medical practice.

Britain's plans against maternal and infant mortality are concentrated in the new Health Act which has come into operation this month and aims at a still further record reduction in death rates. The Act lays down that it is the responsibility of the health authorities of the state to care for expectant mothers and children under five years of age. The mother-to-be consults a specially qualified maternity doctor—he may be a generous practitioner as well but receives extra payments from the health authority for maternity cases—and he undertakes to examine her during pregnancy, attend the birth and examine her again at least once after the child is born.

As part of the normal health service, a doctor can order any special treatment for a patient which he deems necessary, including dental treatment. The system of special priority rations for expectant mothers, especially milk and meat, which was begun during the late war, is being continued. The health authorities are also responsible for ensuring that she obtains any help she may need in the home, in household duties or in the looking after of her other children.

An important feature of the new health provisions is the special financial grants to mothers—adaptation of another wartime system started for wives of servicemen. The mother receives a sum of £4 when a child is born and a further £1 a

week for a month, so that she has a little extra for the necessities which inevitably arise with the birth of any infant. But if the mother is normally employed in a job, she receives a larger weekly grant of 30s. for a considerably longer period, 13 weeks; which means that if her wages have been a regular part of the family income she will not feel she has to hurry back to work until she is quite fit for it.

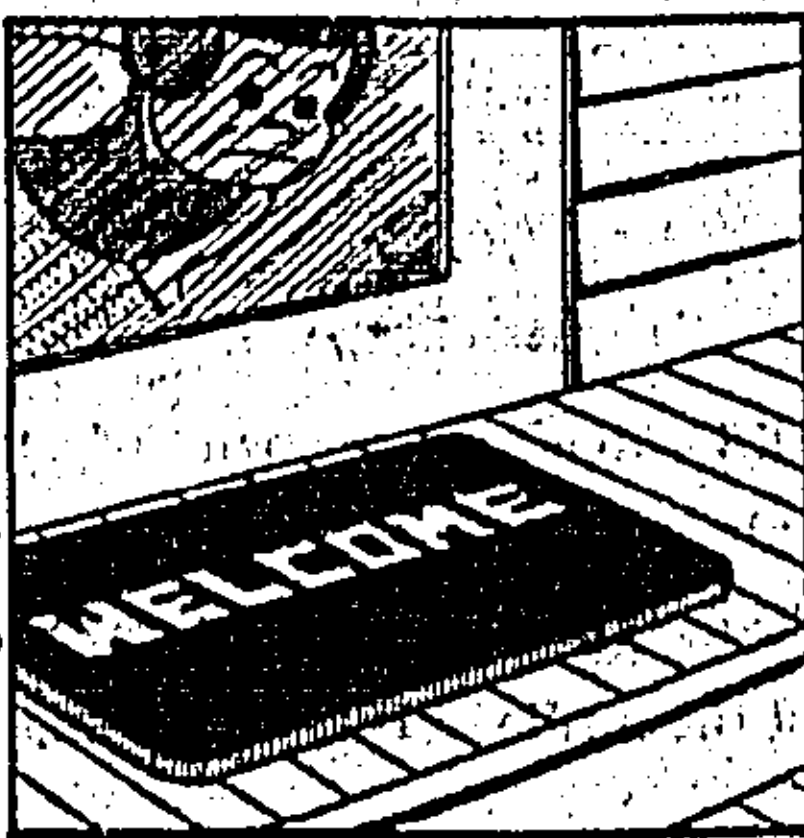
The health of all the people of Britain is now accepted as a responsibility on the community. But with state control of medical services and hospitals there will still be plenty of room for voluntary and individual effort.

### BLACK SPOTS

THE latest vital statistics are by no means satisfactory in every respect. Cancer is still one of the black spots. The number of deaths among women from this disease has increased during the last 12 months. Side by side with the taking over of cancer hospitals by the state, a great voluntary appeal has been launched by the British Empire Cancer Campaign to mark its 20th anniversary. It is asking for a £1,000,000 for furthering research and for spreading information about this most dreadful of diseases, so that people may be aware of its growth early enough for measures to be taken against it. The appeal has the support of King George VI and leading doctors.

It is by this type of community and individual effort that Britain intends to save lives, combat disease in all its forms and build a healthier and happier people. Vital statistics may be a dull sounding term, but they tell a story of unremitting efforts of men and women aiming not only at national but also international benefits.

NANCY Shooting Him Away



By Ernie Bushmiller





# FUSES STOLEN FROM RESIDENCES

## Situation Serious Says China Light

"We've had many hundreds of these fuses stolen and if this carries on it will be impossible for us to supply Kowloon," said Mr C. F. Wood, of the China Light and Power, at Kowloon this morning, when complaining of the theft of fuses from residences.

Charged before Mr J. Wicks were Leung Wing, who admitted two charges of stealing the fuses and one of possession of an instrument fit for an unlawful purpose, and Li Tung, who admitted receiving 12 of the stolen fuses.

Sub-Inspector Howarth said that on Sunday morning a watchman saw Leung and a small boy interfering with a fuse box at 242 Fa Yuen Street. Leung actually had the house service box in his hand. When the watchman went to question Leung, the small boy escaped. Leung was taken to the Police Station and he confessed to stealing another 12 sets of fuses from various dates from houses in Fa Yuen Street. After further enquiries, Leung took the Police to Li's shop in Yunnan Lane, saying that he had sold the 12 fuses to Li. The fuses were produced and Li admitted that Leung had sold him three for \$9 on July 7, six for \$17 the next day and another three for \$9 on July 9.

It was a ridiculous price to pay for the fuses, each of which was worth at least \$8, stated Inspector Howarth, adding that when arrested, Leung had a screw driver in his possession. Mr Wood said it was not so much the value of the fuses as the inconvenience it caused both to the Company and consumers. In Leung's final attempt of theft, he had left all the wires exposed in a very dangerous condition and anyone touching them could have been electrocuted.

Mr Wicks sentenced Leung to 18 months and Li to nine months.

## Round-Up Of Opium Offenders

As a sequel to extensive raids on opium dens in the Wanchai area by the Police yesterday, a number of divan keepers and smokers appeared before Mr d'Almada at Central this morning.

Ng Sau-king, a 40-year-old woman, was charged with aiding and abetting the keeping of an opium divan at an unnumbered hut at 1A Jardine Street. Pang Tsui-sang, 40, was charged with smoking at the divan. Sub-Inspector MacKenzie said he raided the hut at the back of 1A Jardine Street. The front of the premises was a firewood shop. Only second defendant was in the hut and several lamps and some opium were found. On examining the hut, he found an electric bell which was connected to a push button at the front of the shop. He had to enter the hut through the shop although there was an escape at the back of the hut.

### WHEN BELL RANG

Ng said she was the owner of the firewood shop and she rented the hut from a person who was the keeper of the divan. She did not inform the Police because she had no right to interfere with other people's business. She did not press the bell to warn the people that the Police was coming.

Pang, who pleaded guilty to the smoking charge, said all the other people ran away when the bell rang. He was fined \$35 while Ng was remanded till tomorrow.

For keeping a divan at 2 Sai Wu Street, first floor, Chu Chai, 40, was fined \$500 or four months. Three smokers had their bail of \$25 each estreated.

All the other divans were located at unnumbered huts in Bullock Lane. Tang Chu, 47, was fined \$300 or four months for keeping a divan in one of the huts. Four smokers were each fined \$35.

In another hut was found Au Tam's divan. Five smokers arrested there were fined \$35 each while 40-year-old Au was fined \$300 or four months.

**PREVIOUS CONVICTION**  
"If you can afford to smoke opium, you can afford to pay your fines," said Mr d'Almada when he imposed fines of \$35 on each of seven smokers found in a divan kept by 40-year-old Cheung Kam.

Cheung, who had a previous conviction for unlawful possession, was sentenced to four months. Five smokers were arrested in the divan kept by Tang Lai, 20, unemployed. Tang was fined \$300 or five months while smokers were fined \$45 each.

Chan Tai, 23, unemployed, was fined \$400 for possession of an opium pipe in another unnumbered hut. In yet another hut, were found two smokers who were each fined \$35. No keeper was arrested. In all cases, huts were ordered to be demolished.

## \$1,000 FINE FOR DIVAN KEEPER

The heaviest fine yet levied on an opium divan keeper was imposed on Chow Hup-yuen, 25, unemployed, who was conducting a flourishing business at 69, Canton Road, ground floor, until the Police raided the den late yesterday afternoon.

For keeping an opium den and the possession of about six mace of the drug, Chow was today fined \$1,000 for the first count and \$50 for the second, or in default, to serve six months in Stanley.

Altogether 33 persons were arrested on the premises when Inspector Timms and his party entered the floor. But yesterday four managed to prove their claim that they were living in the cockpit which was not being used as a divan and they were discharged.

The entire floor was for the purpose of opium smoking. It was furnished with 12 beds and equipped with nine opium pipes, several pipe-heads and 14 lamps and Inspector Chen said that the divan was one of the largest yet raided by Police in recent months. The floor was illuminated with the up-to-date neon lights to attract customers.

Apart from the four who were discharged, 29 admitted that they were there smoking opium or were in the premises to smoke opium. Two smokers who were absent from Court had their bail of \$50 each estreated while the rest were each fined \$35.

## Letters To The Editor

### St Stephen's College

Sir.—At the prize giving held on Saturday, July 10, in the Warden's Report there was an appeal to raise the balance of money required, some \$23,000, to enable a commencement of the first portion of the College Chapel to be a Memorial in remembrance of those who were killed or died in the War and during the Japanese Occupation. The Warden went on to say that there are POWs and Internees who may like to have a share in such a Chapel. I am writing this letter therefore to draw the attention of all Internees in Stanley, especially those who occupied the various buildings of the College and who had the benefit of solid roofs over their heads and made use of much valuable woodwork to augment the very scanty fuel rations supplied by the Japs, to send whatever they can afford, however small a sum it may be, to this Fund. No better memorial could be raised in remembrance of the devoted service and example given by Canon Ernest Martin and his beloved wife Kathleen (who died in Stanley) to all sundry interned in Stanley.

Canon Martin has just left by air, on a well deserved holiday, to visit Professor Sewell at Chengtu. It will surely gladden his heart to find on his return that the necessary money has been forthcoming.

Any donations for this purpose should be forwarded to Mr F. C. Maunders, E. C. & Co., Ltd, 2nd fl. French Bank Building, 5 Queen's Road Central; or Mr Chan Yiu-tung, c/o United Traders, York Building, H. B. L. DOWBIGGIN.

## PROFITABLE GROUND NUT SCHEME IN E. AFRICA

London, July 12.—The big East African ground nut scheme is likely to be more profitable than was originally estimated, Mr John Strachey, Food Minister, told the House of Commons today.

The cost had gone up substantially, but the sale price of ground nuts had increased by far more. The scheme was originally designed to produce ground nuts for sale at £30 a ton for the first three years, dropping to £20 a ton. Today, the Minister of Food was paying for certain marginal quantities of ground nuts between £25 to £30 a ton.

"We do not take astronomical figures like that, but the figure of £41 a ton which we pay for our main supply of ground nuts from Nigeria. We reckon, perhaps, optimistically, that after three years that price would begin to drop by 50/- a ton per year. We applied

that to the proceeds of the ground nut scheme. The result was that the scheme, far from being less profitable than the original estimate, is substantially more so."

There would, he said, be a commercial profit from next spring's harvest. Research work has been going on for over a year into the production of oil from rubber seeds. Experiments were being made both in Nigeria and Malaya and the Ministry of Food would do its utmost to see if some new sources could be developed. It would be a "most valuable thing" if it could be developed. Mr Strachey was speaking in a debate on food.—Reuter.

## MILK FOR BERLIN



German workers unload a plane cargo of fresh milk from a C-47 transport at Tempelhof Airport in Berlin. The milk came with a consignment, which included flour, as part of a rations shipment for persons residing in the western sectors of Berlin.—AP Picture.

## Democratic Convention Ready To Open

Philadelphia, July 12.—Fifteen hundred Democratic Party delegates assembled here today for the Convention which will nominate their candidate for November's Presidential elections.

They are meeting in the same hall where, last month, the Republicans chose Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York State as the man to break the Democrats' 16 years of unbroken power.

Many Democrats were convinced that Mr Dewey would defeat Mr Harry S. Truman, today's President, and the most likely man to be picked when the Convention gets down to voting for their candidate later in the week.

In the resulting atmosphere of gloom, the keenest interest lay in the choice of running mate for the host of Vice-President from which Mr Truman stepped into the highest office when the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt died.

The Vice-Presidential candidate is expected to become leader of the Democratic Party if Mr Truman retires.

**JUDGE DECLINES**  
Today, Mr John Redding, the Democratic National Publicity Director, announced that Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas will not stand for this post.

Mr Truman was reported to have asked him to be his running mate in a long distance telephone call over the weekend.

Senator Alben W. Barkley, one of the most prominently mentioned possible Vice-Presidential candidates, made the keynote address when the Convention opened.

He attacked the Republican record on foreign affairs, but paid tribute to two Republicans—Arthur Vandenberg, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and Representative Charles Eaton, of New Jersey, of the House Foreign Affairs Group.

"They made great contributions to the European recovery plan," Senator Barkley declared.—Reuter.

## ERP Agreement Approved

Rome, July 12.—The Chamber of Deputies today approved the Italian-United States bilateral ERP accord signed on June 28 by a vote of 297 to 90, only the Communists and Left Wing Socialists voted against it.

The Senate will vote on the accord in about two weeks. Representatives previously approved the three sections of the bill separately by a show of hands.

The approval gives the President, Luigi Einaudi, the authority to put the accord into effect but work on Italy's part of the Marshall plan aid programme is already under way.—United Press.

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## NATIONALISTS CLAIM MORE GAINS

Shanghai, July 13.—The Nationalists recaptured three cities in West Shantung in a drive northward pursuing the fleeing Reds, pro-Government reports said today. The three cities recaptured were Tingtao, Kuo-cheng and Hotzeh near the Honan border.

At the same time, the Chinese Air Force vigilantly patrolled the Yellow River stretch, harrying the Communists, blasting supply vehicles, sinking 35 junks and preventing attempted crossings of the river, according to government reports.

The siege of Yenchow, about 75 miles south of Tientsin, provincial capital of Shantung, continued meanwhile, with minor skirmishing activity reported yesterday.

**CLASH OUTSIDE CITY**  
Garrison patrol units struck out from three of the city's gates and clashed with the Communists outside the city walls. After invalidating a few gun positions, the patrols returned within the safety of the city walls.

The Garrison commander, Gen. Li Yu-tang, said the government position after 23 days of siege is "much improved." He claimed that his troops in that period killed 7,000 Communists and destroyed 30 vehicles.

The East China Headquarters at Hsuehchow airlifted 10 tons of "comfort" packages for the beleaguered garrison at Yenchow. A rescue column from Tientsin bypassed Tawenkow city and was now said to be 20 miles north of Yenchow where they are now encountering Red resistance.—United Press.

## Lord Milverton's Appointment

London, July 12.—Lord Milverton, a retired veteran of the Colonial Service, was appointed to the Board of the Colonial Development Corporation today.

Lord Milverton, formerly Sir Arthur Richards, was made a Baron last year. He entered the Malayan Civil Service in 1908 and, after holding various posts in Malaya and Kedah, rose to Under-Secretary of the Federated Malay States government in 1920 and acting general adviser to the government of Johore in 1920.

Later he held a series of governorships including North Borneo, the Gambia, Fiji, Jamaica, and Nigeria.—Associated Press.

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**Manila Strike Ends**  
Manila, July 12.—The four-day strike for higher pay of some 200 employees and workers of the Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company came to an end during the weekend as the management agreed to give wage increases. The company is American-owned. The strike stopped overseas traffic and threatened to paralyse local services.—Reuter.

## Anti-Red Agitators Invade University

Peiping, July 13.—Between 500 and 600 members of an anti-Communist vanguard broke into the campus of the Tsinghua University and staged an anti-Red demonstration there.

They left after seven hours. No violence attended the visit. Students of the University, angered by the incident, petitioned the President to take steps to assure their security.

Earlier, a stormy 3½ hour discussion on the shooting up of students in Peiping on July 5 took place and almost ended in blows between two officials present.

**RESIGNATION DEMANDED**  
Some of those present at the meeting flatly stated that the 208th Division was responsible and demanded the resignation of the commander and the court-martinning of the battalion commander in charge of troops at the time of the incident.

Others insisted the responsibility should first be fixed. During a brisk exchange, Liu Li-chi, member of the Advisory Yuan, pounded the table and called Liu Teh-jwen, member of the Legislative Yuan, a "mixed up fool."

Others present prevented the two from coming to blows and the meeting adjourned without making any decision.—Associated Press.

## COURT STORY OF AMBUSH

Manila, July 13.—A trial was underway today in San Fernando, Pampanga, of three municipal officials for the ambush of Captain Irvin C. Plough, the death of Plough's baby and wounding of his wife in a fusillade of shots one year ago.

In the attack were Antonio Bonifacio, former mayor of San Luis, Pampanga, Florencio Leoncio Santos, former chief of police.

Former Police Sergeant Gerónimo Mallari, 57, a prosecution witness, told the court that on the night of June 27, 1947, he was summoned by Mayor Bonifacio and proceeded with others to the national highway.

Mallari continued: "Bonifacio told us 'when I fire and say fire, you will all fire. Then from my right side where Bonifacio was, I heard a shot and an order to fire from Bonifacio. I did not know what my companions did since it was very dark, but I heard many shots. Our target was a jeep."

It is understood that the United States Army brought Captain Plough back to the Philippines to testify in a closed hearing. After completing testimony, he was sent back to the US last week.—Associated Press.

**TENSION IN BANGKOK**  
Bangkok, July 12.—Tension rose today as rumours increased of a possible sudden move to oust at least part of Premier Phibun Songgram's government. Union labour was reported nervous. A general strike was considered for July 14, the Premier's birthday.

Uneasiness among the military leadership was indicated by the confinement of Lieutenant-Colonel Narong Vorabut, one of the leaders of the coup last November. He recently issued a pamphlet attacking other leaders of the November revolt. Two Generals and several other high rank officers were reported questioned by the military command.

Army guards were posted in strategic areas. Elements of the Army and Navy have expressed disapproval with the way in which military leaders of the November coup have been impugning names of the services by delving into politics and commerce.—Associated Press.

**DRIVE AGAINST GUERRILLAS**  
Athens, July 12.—Greek Government troops today began an advance against the upper slopes of the Grammos Range, in northwest Greece in the second stage of the offensive to drive the guerrillas from their mountain strongholds.

According to official reports, the guerrillas' activities confined mainly to the destruction and mining of highways to hamper Army supplies, had been checked in the Epirus area. The roads around Salona were said to have been cleared.

Government Army casualties up to July 8 were given as 1,194, of which 183 were killed, while guerrilla losses were 1,775, with 1,240 killed.—Reuter.

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**1462 Bible Brings \$15,400**  
London, July 12.—A vellum copy of a Bible printed in Latin in Mainz, Germany, in 1462 was purchased for £15,400 at an auction in London today.

The successful bidder was a London bookseller.

The bible was from a collection of books formed by the late Baron Horace de Landau.—Associated Press.



## THIRD TEST MATCH

## Old Trafford Lives Up To Reputation

Manchester, July 12.—England's cricket team, which appeared set for its first win against Australia in the current series of test matches, suffered a setback today as heavy rain prevented any play and stopped them building up an unassailable score.

With only one day's play left in the third test at the Old Trafford ground, England leads by 316 runs with seven second innings wickets standing.

England's captain, Norman Yardley, will now be faced with the problem of when to close the innings if a prompt start is possible on Tuesday.

If there is an improvement in the weather and the sun shines, he may close straight away on Tuesday morning and leave the Australians to bat on a sticky wicket.

But if the sky is overcast and the wicket remains wet and slow—not the type to help bowlers—he may decide to bat on for a while, hoping that the pitch will become more difficult as the day wears on.

On a wet and slow pitch, England will have to work hard to get out the strong batting Australian team before time is called at 17.30 GMT on Tuesday.

Australia will be without one of its batting stars, Sid Barnes, who is in hospital following his injury on Friday when he was struck by the ball when fielding very close to the bat in England's first innings.

Associated Press.

## BARNES TO REST UNTIL NEXT TEST

Manchester, July 12.—Sydney Barnes, the Australian cricketer, who was injured while fielding in the third test match against England at Old Trafford and will take no further part in the game, has recovered sufficiently to be able to leave hospital today.

Mr Keith Johnson, the Australian manager, told Reuters: "I saw Barnes today and the people of the hospital seemed quite satisfied to allow him to leave. I am not certain whether he will return with the team to London after the test, but he will definitely not play in our next match against Middlesex. He will have to rest until the next test at Leeds."

## COUNTY CRICKET

London, July 12.—The close of play scores in the County cricket matches today were:

At Northampton: Northamptonshire 233, Glamorgan 46 for one.

At Coventry: Somerset 336, Warwickshire 60 for zero. There was no further play after lunch owing to rain.

At Blackheath: Kent 100, Surrey 247 for four (Squires 90). Play was restricted owing to rain.

At Bradford: The match between Yorkshire and Middlesex was also restricted owing to rain. Middlesex 210, Yorkshire 74 for no wicket.

At Portsmouth: Sussex 356 for seven declared (James Langridge 77 not out). Hampshire 217 for seven (Rogers 100).

At Nottingham: Essex 310, Nottinghamshire 93 for no wicket (Keeton 50 not out). Play was restricted owing to rain.

At Bristol: Gloucestershire 347 for eight declared, Lancashire 224 for five (Kirk 76, Clanshaw 57).

At Kidderminster: Derbyshire 282, Worcestershire 180. Play was restricted by rain.—Reuters.

## JOHN TUNNICLIFFE DIES

Bristol, July 12.—John Tunncliffe, star Yorkshire batsman of 50 years ago, died in Bristol today aged 81.

Tunncliffe, six feet two inches tall, became cricket coach to Clifton College after helping Yorkshire win the county championship seven times between 1891 and 1907.

"Long John" Tunncliffe, with L. T. Rowan, twice set up first wicket partnership records.

In 1897 they hit 378 runs off the Sussex bowling and in the next season, 334 runs off the Derbyshire bowling, a record that stood until two other Yorkshire players, Percy Holmes and Herbert Sutcliffe, scored 655 off the Essex attack at Leyton in 1932.

Tunncliffe made over 1,000 runs in 13 separate seasons.

He was a brilliant slip fielder, too, making 575 catches.—Associated Press.

## SOME FINGLETON THEORIES

By ARCHIE QUICK

Jack Fingleton, Australian Test Match cricketer turned journalist, was always a bit of a revolutionary at the game and he exploded a few more accepted cricket ideas as I talked to him at the Lords Test.

For one thing Jack doesn't agree with all this "playing forward."

Now if you speak to coaches like Archie Fowler of Lords or Harry Makepeace of Old Trafford they will say "get forward and across to the pitch of the ball when you are playing defensively. Kill the spin at birth and if the ball raps your pads the chance of a leg-before-wicket is lessened by the distance the ball would have had to travel to the wicket."

Not Fingleton. He says by playing back you get longer time to look at the ball. All fast bowling should be played close to the wicket is also his theory. It upsizes all that professors have taught us in England but judged strictly on results, the Australian idea seems to be correct.

England's repeated batting failures have split the cricketing fraternity into two parts. One section says "scrap all of them. Let others who are better replace them."

I say let us cut our losses, accept the Australians as our masters this time and give youth its fling for the sake of experience and future series. Let in up and coming youngsters and blood them in the bitter Test arena while there is time.

It is a profound thought that the two best counties this season, Glamorgan and Derbyshire, have not yet supplied England with a Test representative. George Pope got as far as the Trent Bridge dressing room.

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They are all such little men, said Harris humorously, that they have not got to bend to pick up. This fielding is a thing to be considered for not only is there a general laxity throughout counties in this important department of the game, but the rot has permeated England's Test team.

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## FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

## SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"Oh, yes, Johnny and I have broken up definitely—the didn't do any of the nice things I had written up in advance in my diary!"

## McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Trumping Opening Lead Is Question

BY WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

WHEN I retired as executive secretary of the American Contract Bridge League on the first of the year after 20 years of service, Curt H. Reisinger of New York was elected secretary.

The Curt H. Reisinger Trophy for the Eastern States open team-of-four regional championship is one of the oldest contract bridge trophies in play. Today's hand came up during that event this year.

The bidding shown is the way it occurred at a table I kibitzed. Some employed Blackwood, and most pairs arrived at six spades.

In practically every case the diamond king was opened. With

♠ 865	♥ J43	♦ KQ64	♣ A1002
♠ KQ74	♥ W	♦ S	♣ A5
♠ A72	♥ S	♦ KQJ	♣ 532
♠ None	♥ Dealer	♦ 532	♣ None

Tournament—Neither vul.  
South West North East  
Pass 1 Pass 3 Pass 4  
Pass 2 Pass 4 Pass 5  
Pass 4 Pass 5  
Opening—♦ K 27

the ace of clubs opening declarer would have no problem, but with the diamond opening there was a question as to proper play.

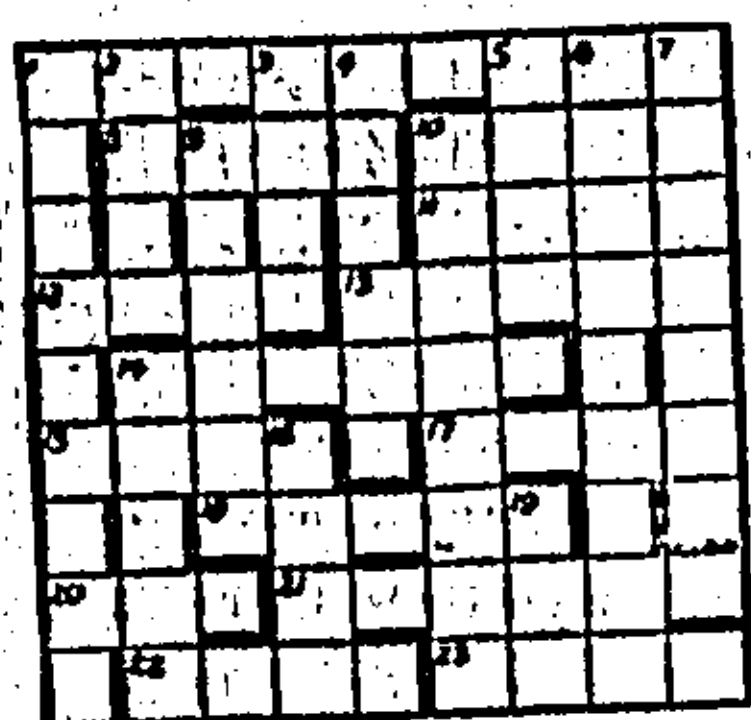
Should declarer win the first diamond with the ace, or should it be trumped in dummy?

It was generally agreed that the king of diamonds should be trumped in dummy with the deuce of spades, and the next play should be the deuce of clubs, trumping in the West hand with the three of spades. Then a small spade should be led to dummy's ace and South's jack falls.

Now should declarer lead the king of clubs and let it ride?

Analysis shows that the correct play at this point is to lead the three of clubs and trump it with the queen of spades, then lead the seven of spades and win it in dummy with the nine. Lead the five of clubs and trump it with the king of clubs. Now the ace of clubs drops, and declarer makes seven.

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE



- Across:  
1. and 7. Originally Continental  
8. Greeting to a Turkish governor which should make him do as he is told.  
9. Date.  
10. The time in which our journey is spent.  
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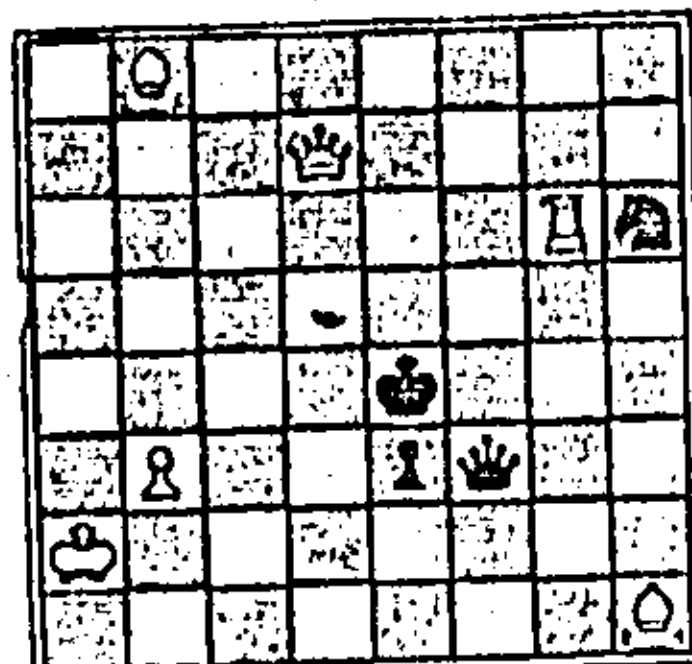
- What was the worst plague in history?
- What is ethnology?
- Who was the Nazi puppet premier of Norway?
- Why does Japan use so much scrap metal?
- What countries are comprised in the Balkan peninsula?

(Answers on Column 5)

## CHESS PROBLEM

By SAM LOYD

Black, 4 pieces.



White, 6 pieces.  
White to play and mate in two.  
Solution to yesterday's problem:  
1. Q-Q6, any; 2. Q, B, or Kt mates.

EXCLUSIVE 'TELEGRAPH' FEATURE

## YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

TUESDAY, JULY 13

BORN today, common sense is perhaps one of your most important characteristics. You have a magnetic personality which draws people to you, but you do not let this popularity go to your head, but take all flattery with a big grain of salt. You have many talents and when put to constructive use, you can accomplish a great deal in a very short time.

Your know-how to handle people and would be good in some executive capacity where dealing with all types of individuals is important. Broaden your scope of activity to include community, church and social work, for you have a special talent in this direction which makes you valuable in putting over some programme of activities or a new idea. You enjoy travelling and would be a good public speaker for some worthy cause. If you enter politics, you will be successful, provided you live up to your innermost ideals and do not let yourself

be swayed against your better judgment, merely for the sake of party policy.

You have a high degree of adaptability and are never at a loss to know what to do in any given situation. Be careful that you do not spread your talents over too wide a field of activity or the forcefulness of your energy will become dissipated. Make yourself an expert in one field of endeavour before going on to something entirely different. Variety may be what makes your world go around—but get your variety in a diversity of social contacts rather than in your vocational channels.

Your marriage should be a happy one, since you are sincere and loyal in your attachments. To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Make important agreements. Set out upon some promotional or advertising campaign and you will be successful.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Confidence in all you undertake can spell the difference between success and failure. Keep on your toes now.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—A good day for a journey—in fact, a good day for almost everything if you are practical and efficient.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—The amount of energy you put into a project this morning spells the degree of success it will enjoy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—A business journey may bring added profits if you consume the right kind of a contract now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Opportunity may be knocking at your door, so be alert to what it offers. An unexpected change may also prove highly beneficial.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—In pushing affairs begun yesterday, guard against offending those close to you. Be diplomatic.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Romance may be important in your life right now. The affairs of the fair sex come into prominence today.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—A long-awaited promotion in your job may make future wedding plans possible. Congratulations could be in order.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Favourable conditions continue to out-weigh the unfavourable, so make conspicuous progress by being efficient.

Taurus (Apr. 21-May 21)—Emphasis on the social and domestic scene is likely today. If a business deal is owing, try to collect it.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Day becomes better as it gets later. Afternoon hours should bring a satisfactory advance in all your plans.

## SCIENCE AT WORK:

## FOOD PILLS TO ALLAY HUNGER IN EMERGENCY

By ROB BUCKINGHAM

DR. Hellmuth Edhardt Heitz, one of the world's leading authorities on concentrated foods, says future generations need not fear the advent of capuled beefsteaks or pillbox strawberry, short cake.

Heitz, who began experimenting with food concentrates nearly 20 years ago after getting the idea during a big game hunt, asserted in an interview that solid food could never be substituted as a permanent diet. However, he believes capuled food has its place, and an important one, especially in an emergency. The "medicine" at the University of Vienna is now the head of laboratories, making emergency rations in tablet form at the rate of 2,000,000 a week.

Heitz's ration is contained in a pill, called Elagone. It was used

during the war by the British Merchant Navy, commandos and ambulance units and is now being converted for peacetime.

The stocky, gray-haired doctor said a large scale test would be conducted shortly in a famine area. He said Elagone also would be a fit luncheon for a harassed office worker.

"It is far healthier to have one of my pills than to gobble down badly made sandwich and suffer indigestion," he contended.

Heitz said Elagone, which will keep a man comfortably for five and a half days without food or water, comes in many flavours. The favourite flavour during the war with the British Navy was a banana and caramel mixture.

Flavour Important  
"This flavour selecting is a delicate thing," he explained. "We must be careful to pick one that does not produce thirst." He said that ruled out beefsteak flavour.

The scientist said he conducted many of the initial tests himself. A few weeks ago he lived for five and a half days on Elagone.

"I had no thirst at all and slept better than usually," he said. He hopes to store enough energy in Elagone to last a man for one week which he considers the maximum. The tablets contain no moisture but are designed to prevent any feeling of thirst by helping the body make the best use of its water reserves. Elagone provides the equivalent of nine-elevenths of the same amount of protein and the same amount of minerals as a day's ordinary diet, with a half ounce of dextrin and ovalactin. The dose is four tablets a day.—United Press.

## OUTWARD MAILS

TUESDAY, JULY 13  
Closing Times by Air  
Swatow, Amoy, Tainan, Hongchow, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtau, Peking and Heliow, 3:30 p.m.  
Closing Times by Sea & Train  
Macao and Tainan (Sea) 4 p.m.  
Kowloon (Sea) 5 p.m.  
Canton (Parcel & 2nd class mail) (Sea) 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14  
Closing Times by Air  
Canton, (Kowloon CPO) 1:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 3 p.m.; (GPO) 7 a.m., 9:30 a.m., Noon, 2:30 p.m.  
Hankow, Amoy, Tainan, Hongchow, Shanghai, Peking, Nanking, USA and Canada, 9:30 a.m. (reg); 10 a.m. (ord).  
Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtau, Amoy, Swatow and Tainan, 3:30 p.m.  
Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Suez, Cairo (Nairobi, Johannesburg and Marseilles via Cairo) Augusta and London, (Kowloon CPO) 5:30 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m.  
Japan (Ordinary letters and cards only) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea & Train  
Macao and Tainan (Sea) 8 a.m.  
Japan (Ordinary letters and cards only) (Sea) Noon.  
Macao and Tainan (Sea) 1 p.m. (Train) 2 p.m.  
Salmon and Sandakan (Sea) 3 p.m.  
Macao (Sea) 2 p.m.  
Macao and Tainan (Sea) 4 p.m.  
Canton (Parcel & 2nd class mail) (Sea) 5 p.m.

## POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE story of the lady javelin thrower who was unable to practise for the Olympic Games because she could not get her weapon through the crowds, is either very funny or very sad.

Presumably no motorist in these days would give a lift to a girl carrying an enormous javelin. The weapon wouldn't go through a bus entrance or a train-door. She should have had the presence of mind to dress up as Queen Boadicea, and to announce that was Miss Dehydrated Polato on her way to the Nunaton Polato Rally and Gymkhana. She would then have been carried shoulder-high by cheering mobs wherever she wanted to go.

(Tomorrow: How to Get a Traction Engine into Your Bathroom; by "True Blue.")

Why not one trouser?

A LAD with all his wits about him suspects that the talk of narrower trousers for men may be meant to save cloth. Far more would be saved if Savile Row would decree that only one trouser-leg, terminating at the top of the sock, was the new fashion. The one bare leg would look odd for a while, but we should soon get used to it. It would also save half a pair of braces per man, and we should have more dollars with which to import towels for tourist hotels.

In passing  
THE recent discovery that the town of Huntingdon had pawned its mace a century and a half ago, and that the mayors, ever since, have been preceded by a sham mace, means that every official act of the mayors of Huntingdon for 150 years is invalid. Here's a pretty mayor's nest, as the girl said when she discovered Mayor Aldridge hiding in a dustbin half-filled with refuse.

What does it mean?  
THIS must be Animal Week. A single edition of a Sunday paper reveals that a giant African tortoise has laid three eggs, three sets of twins were born to Anglo-Nubian goats at the Zoo, a woman of Staffordshire killed an owl which fell down a chimney, Northants has a plague of flies, a woman's hockey team put a cat in the goal, five baby mice were found alive in a parrot's cage in Somerset, a spaniel bred five puppies in a badger's earth, and a two-headed chicken was hatched in Wexford.

Check Your Knowledge  
Answers  
1. The bubonic plague which swept Europe in 1347 and killed one quarter of all Europeans. 2. That branch of science which investigates the mental and physical differences of mankind and the organic laws on which they depend. 3. Major Vidkun Quisling. 4. Because copper is the only industrial metal found to any extent in Japan. 5. Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Rumania, Albania and Greece.

## FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

## Britain &amp; U.S. Settle War Accounts

Washington, July 12.—All financial claims and counter-claims between the United States and Britain which arose from World War II will be settled tomorrow on paper.

## HONGKONG SHARES

The volume of business put through on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning was valued at \$351,000.

Transactions, and noon prices

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
HK Bank	2030		
Insurance	387 1/2		
Canton	77 1/2		
Union	7 1/2		
Underwriters	250		
HK Fire	158		
Doors, ETC.	30 1/2	32	300 # 31
Provident	23 1/2		500 # 23 1/2
Shal Dock	18 1/2		
N. H. Wharf	0 90	0 15	600 # 0 8 1/2
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	17 1/2	18 1/2	
HK Land	5 10		
Shal Land			
UTILITIES			
Tram	23 23 1/2	500 # 23 10	1000 # 23 15

Peak Tram	23		
C. Light (O)	23 1/2	24 1/2	611 # 23 15
C. Light (N)	44 1/2		100 # 10 1/2
Electric	41 1/2		
Macao Electric	41 1/2	42 1/2	
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	47 47 1/2	3750 # 47 1/2	
Rope	19 10 1/2	500 # 19 10 1/2	

STORES, ETC.			
Dairy (O)	52	54	
Dairy (New)	52		300 # 52 1/2
Watson (Old)	61 1/2	52	500 # 62 1/2

Lane Crawford	56		
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## N.Y. FOREIGN EXCHANGE

New York, July 12.—Today's closing rates for foreign exchange were:	
Argentine Peso (Official)	US\$0.2077
Argentine Peso (Unofficial)	0.20
Australia	0.550
Belgium	0.351
Canada	0.725 1/2
Chile	0.033
France	0.025 1/2
India	0.034
Mexico	0.24 1/2
Netherlands	0.070
Peru	0.043 1/2
Portugal	0.027 1/2
Sweden	0.275
Switzerland	0.530
Uruguay	0.257
Venezuela	0.310
Shanghai (CNC\$100,000)	24.40
Shanghai (CNC\$100,000)	24.40
Batavia	3705
Singapore	4350
Hongkong	4300

## POUND NOTE RATE

New York, July 12.—The British pound note rate was quoted in the official market here today at US\$1.01.—United Press.

## Rubber Futures Close Higher

New York, July 12.—Prices in the rubber futures market today closed four to 15 points higher on sales totaling 48 contracts.

Prices closed as follows:

July (1948)	22.40
August	22.40
September	22.40
October	22.40
November	22.40
December	22.40
January (1949)	22.40
February	22.40
March	22.40
April	22.40
May	22.40
June	22.40
July	22.40
August	22.40
September	22.40
October	22.40
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## Americans Building New, Secret Airstrip In Berlin

EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN SEVEN WEEKS

Berlin, July 12.—Americans worked feverishly today on a secret new 5,000-ft airstrip which could easily handle B-29 aircraft and would increase the capacity of the Tempelhof airfield by approximately one-third.

More than 100 American troops and German labourers have started work on the new runway on a 24-hour daily shift last Thursday, July 8. It is expected to be completed and ready for use in about six weeks and will greatly aid the air battle against the Berlin siege.

## NEXT THREE YEARS WILL BE CRUCIAL

### Mr Chifley's Broadcast

London, July 12.—The Australian Prime Minister, Mr. J. B. Chifley, said tonight that the "next three years may very well be the most crucial in the history of the British people."

In a broadcast over the BBC relayed to the Australian Broadcasting network, Mr. Chifley said that Australia would do all in her power to help Britain during the trying times ahead.

Just back from a flying visit to Berlin, he said that he was able to get a first hand picture of the "very difficult position" there.

"Economic and political problems of a character never before encountered in our history, have to be faced daily," he said. "There is little respite for them."

Mr. Chifley said that the object of his visit to Berlin was to obtain and give a clear understanding of the economic difficulties that confronted the people of Britain and Australia.

### JOINT POLICIES

"We want to determine, as well as circumstances will permit, joint policies for the future. I say to my own people that the path is not easy going but hard, and will continue to be hard."

"Australians know that our future is linked with Britain, not only by ties of race and kinship, but because of hard practical reasons."

Mr. Chifley said that he believed much could be done in Australia to expand production of beef and dairy products and wheat.

Referring to the British emigration to Australia, he said: "Fuller understanding exists between the respective Governments on that matter."

Only the lack of shipping and acute housing shortage in Australia is holding up the scheme, he said.

## DRESSED FOR THE PART

London, July 12.—John Sheridan, American seaman of 203, West-19th Street, New York, stepped off the Trans-Atlantic plane at the London airport today, wearing a white shirt and grey flannels and a straw hat.

"Where is the cricket match?" he asked.

"I must see it. My friends in New York tell me those are the right clothes, so here I am."

The temperature was 55 degrees and it was pouring rain when Sheridan landed.

Sheridan, who intends to go on to Czechoslovakia, had only one small bag with a clean shirt for the 8,000-mile trip.

"I am man. I don't need many clothes—all I want is to get to the first train to the cricket game."

Today's match between England and Australia in the third Test was washed out.—United Press.

## MOUNTBATTEN STILL ACTIVE

London, July 12.—Lord Louis Mountbatten continues an active participation in Indian affairs, particularly in the efforts to settle the Hyderabad issue.

During the past week, Lord Mountbatten and High Commissioner Moncrieff conferred with Mr. R. A. Butler, chairman of the Conservative Party's India Committee, who strongly advocated Hyderabad's independence.

India House sources said that Lord Mountbatten and Commissioner Moncrieff impressed both Mr. R. A. Butler and Mr. Moncrieff with the reasonable attitude and fairness of India's offer.

Lord Mountbatten and Mr. Moncrieff also conferred separately with the Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, and Mr. Winston Churchill with regard to the Hyderabad issue.—United Press.

## Captured In Bed After Manhunt Fails



## Chinese Communists Change Their Policy

SAID READY TO WELCOME FOREIGN RELIEF AGENCIES

Shanghai, July 12.—Mr. Lewis Hoskins, of Newberg, Oregon, chairman of the Quaker Friends Service unit in China, returned from both sides of the Honan war front today with a report that the Chinese Communists have changed their policy and would welcome non-political foreign relief agencies.

Hoskins went into Red territory two months ago and got Red recognition for relief work in disputed and Nationalist areas 120 square miles around Kailfeng. The unit was already recognised by the Nationalists. Most of its medical and other work was done in government areas.

Hoskins said he felt the Reds have eased up on foreign relief—even the face of the Communist drive in last December. Currently, it is trying to fill the void in medical service left by the missionary evacuation.

Hoskins emphasised the Friends Service unit is an international non-political relief agency supported today mainly by the United States "Society of Friends." It was active both sides of the lines during the Spanish civil war and the India-Pakistan fighting and has worked for the past six years in China, including two years in Red territory.

It stayed behind when foreign missionaries evacuated Honan in December. Currently, it is trying to fill the void in medical service left by the missionary evacuation.

Hoskins is held in patches by the Nationalists and Communists—both powerless against epidemics of kala-azar and other diseases. The Quakers operate hospitals, schools and machine shops.

Hoskins said during the Kailfeng battle their 25-bed hospital at Chungmou was "swamped" with wounded from Kailfeng, mostly government soldiers who hobbled 30 miles to the hospital. Some had wounds five days old. The Communists let them pass, he added.—United Press.

Hoskins said the Communist policy of more tolerance, not persecution, toward foreign relief bodies. It may be purely selfish in motive, but it is consistently expressed by every Red official I saw.

He said the officials did not specify whether the new policy allows the resumption of evangelistic missionary work—which the Quakers do not do.

WORLD WITHOUT TROUBLE

He said when the Reds captured Chungmou village, 30 miles west of Kailfeng where the Quakers work was centred, they asked: "Are you the Friends Service unit?"

Hoskins said: "We were in a world without trouble for the 10 days they were there. They even let us go to Kailfeng to rescue our stocks while they were still holding the provincial capital."

He said comparable treatment was given to other foreign relief groups in Kailfeng.

He said the latest attacks were "irresponsible outbursts of European-owned newspapers in Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies."

He said the latest attacks were based on Australian action in re-patriation of a small number of Malayan seamen who came to Australia during the war. Mr. Calwell said the Malayan seamen were admitted during the war with the understanding they were to leave the country at the end of hostilities. He said 4,000 had left without protest.

Mr. Calwell said that if the Malayan seamen were permitted to return, it would establish a precedent. He said the ultimate result would be the conquest of Australia by infiltration as surely as by direct assault.—Associated Press.

Jerry Malleck (centre), 23, self-admitted member of a gang which held up a gambling establishment in suburban Chicago, shot two policemen, and eluded a ring of 200 officers who surrounded them in a stone quarry in the southwestern section of Cook county, is taken from bed at his home. Policeman Jack Robbins of suburban La Grange and Chief of Police C. J. Buehl (left) make the arrest of the one-legged robber.—AP Picture.

## ERP WILL NOT MEAN MORE FOOD

Disappointment For Britons

London, July 12.—Mr. John Strachey, Minister of Food, today said that even with ERP there is no hope of a sudden resumption of food purchases in the United States.

He said: "All ERP can do is enable us to pay for our foodstuffs from Canada and perhaps purchase a few foodstuffs in the United States—cheese for example—not readily available elsewhere."

"But even cheese is only to fill the gap in quantities available from Canada. It is not a net increase. In the coming year, food problem will be in the balance of payments—not what we can get, but of what we can pay for."

### WORLD PROSPECTS

Mr. Strachey believed the world food prospect is improving. He said cereals are not so short as six to nine months ago while twice as much rice is moving in international trade as a year ago.

He said that the Government has reached a series of "useful arrangements" with Australia. He said the Food Ministry is also negotiating a seven-year contract for New Zealand dairy produce.

"In the case of Canada," he said "we have been able to maintain with the utmost difficulty from payments, the point of view of our valuable contracts with them."

Altogether, he said, Britain negotiated 37 bilateral food pacts with European, South American and Asiatic countries.—United Press.

### NEW MEAT RATION

London, July 12.—Dr. Edith Summerskill, Parliamentary Secretary to the Food Ministry said today that 17,500 tons of canned corned beef have been issued to Britons for their meat ration in the place of carcass meat held up by the London dock strike.

She told the House of Commons that she was not sure the loss in carcass meat would eventually be made up.

"There is a delay in the turn around of the ships," she said. "And you must realise that we not only have contracts with exporting countries but we must also take their exportable surplus too. If we do not take it up in the specified time, it might be that we will lose it."

She said that the Ministry this year is importing 1.2 million tons from Argentina, 700,000 tons from Russia and 150,000 tons from Australia of barley and maize feeding stuffs.

Earlier, Conservative Gollin Thornton-Kemsley said that if Britain could double the amount of maize bought in Argentina, it would give everyone in Britain an extra 1½ ounces of bacon every week.—United Press.

## Flood Market With Supplies

Shanghai, July 13.—In a desperate effort to bring down the prices of various commodities, the Commodity Control Organisation here began to dump large quantities of supplies on to the markets.

It is hoped that by this measure some CN\$5 million million will be called in within the next few days as the first step in checking runaway prices.

The dumping of a huge quantity of commodities by the authorities was admitted by Dr. S. Y. Liu, Deputy Governor of the Central Bank, according to the Chinese press. He emphatically denied that big devaluation notes would be issued—those that are believed to have caused the city's latest economic landslide in which the American dollar rose to CN\$200,000.

Meanwhile, information from the Garrison Headquarters indicated that the all-out drive against unscrupulous merchants is in full swing.—Reuters.

## INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT RISES

London, July 12.—Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said today that British industrial output in the first quarter of this year was about 11 percent above the total for the same period of 1938, the last pre-war year. It was up 30 percent above the 1938 total, he said.

"That compares well with the general picture of the continent where in most countries the pre-war level has only recently been attained," Sir Stafford said in a speech at an industrial exhibition.

Despite this increased production, stepped up exports and a 20 percent cut in imports compared with 10 years ago, Sir Stafford said, 18 percent of what Britain buys abroad is still not covered by export earnings.—Associated Press.

## An Epic Naval Victory

HOW INDIAN MINESWEEPER SANK 10,000 TON JAPANESE CRUISER

London, July 12.—The Admiralty tonight published the story of an "almost miraculous" wartime naval engagement, in which the 650-ton Indian minesweeper Bengal sank a 10,439-ton Japanese armed raider.

The Bengal, escorting the Dutch oil tanker, Ondina, in the Indian Ocean in November, 1942, sighted two Japanese armed raiders, one of over 10,000 tons and the other of 8,000 tons.

The minesweeper ordered the tanker to act independently and herself headed straight for the larger Japanese raider.

During the engagement over 200 shells were fired at the Bengal from the two Japanese warships, each of which fired broadsides of four 6-inch guns, while the Bengal had only one 12-pounder gun with 40 rounds of ammunition.

Yet, among the crew of the Bengal there was not even a slight injury, while a hit which she secured on the largest Japanese vessel caused huge explosions after which the ship disappeared.

The Bengal escaped and the Ondina, although badly damaged, was re-banded by the crew which had had to abandon her and was ultimately brought safely back to Fremantle, Western Australia.

The Admiralty, when informed of this exploit, sent an expression of its deep admiration to the Government of India. It is now disclosed.

The narrative of the engagement, submitted by the Commanding Officer of the Bengal, concluded: "Those who took part in this action will never cease to marvel at the result. To think that a small ship, with only one 12-pounder gun, should engage two raiders, both more than ten times her own size, and each with about 20 times her gun power, and as a result the tanker to escape, sink one raider, and then get away herself, is almost miraculous."

"The Royal Indian Navy should be justly proud of their little Bengal Tiger; she has had her tail twisted and has a few scars, but these will soon be healed and the tiger will be roaring again."—Reuters.

## Eagerness For Jap Machines

Shanghai, July 13.—Mr. Ku Pao-chang, Department Director of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, yesterday told newsmen upon his arrival from Nanking that more than 700 applications for the purchase of Japanese reparations machines had been received by the Ministry.

Out of these applications, 320 had been passed as eligible while the remainder were eliminated on procedural grounds.

In the examination of applications, priority was given to textile machines and paper manufacturing factories and coal mines.

A list of 65 factories which had been earmarked to receive top priority in the purchase of reparations machines had been submitted to the Japanese Reparations Committee of the Executive Yuan for further examination and approval, Mr. Ku added.—Reuters.

## Air Disaster To Be Probed

London, July 12.—Lord Pakenham, the Minister of Civil Aviation, announced tonight that there would be a public court of enquiry into the loss of the Swedish Skymaster airliner and the Royal Air Force York aircraft which both crashed at Northwood, near London, on July 4 with the loss of 39 lives.

The announcement added that preliminary investigations are taking place and that a further announcement will give the composition of the court of enquiry and the date on which the formal hearings will be opened.—Reuters.

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## Calwell Defends White Australia Policy

Canberra, July 12.—The Immigration Minister, Mr. Arthur A. Calwell, rejected today suggestions that Australia admit Asiatics under her quota system.

A bulletin issued by his department said: "It is doubtful whether any quota figure would satisfy any Asiatic nation, and once the doors to Australia are opened for permanent residence of small quotas of Asiatics, continued pressure would be exerted to permit large numbers to reside permanently in this country."

Mr. Calwell avoided using the term, "White Australia Policy," but the statement amounted to a defence of it. He said Australia's immigration policy is based on the concept of a nation with homogeneous European populations, free from the tensions and complexities which beset countries with mixed populations.

The Minister criticised "foreign inspired propaganda which is aimed at the destruction of Australia's immigration policy."

He said the latest attacks were "irresponsible outbursts of European-owned newspapers in Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies."

He said the latest attacks were based on Australian action in re-patriation of a small number of Malayan seamen who came to Australia during the war. Mr. Calwell said the Malayan seamen were admitted during the war with the understanding they were to leave the country at the end of hostilities. He said 4,000 had left without protest.

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